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## Valentine's Day treats served up at library



Chef Larry Meyer, a Crawford County resident who works for the Big Buck Brewery and Steakhouse in Gaylord, held a Valentine's Day program called "How Sweet It Is" at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library last week. The program was sponsored by the Friends of the Crawford County Library. Above, Meyer displays a plate of chocolate fettuccine, which was made of chocolate crepes, white chocolate and raspberry sauce.

## County approves 911 funding changes

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Crawford County officials approved changes in the way that the 911 system is funded to comply with state law.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, last week, passed a resolution allowing the county to collect a monthly surcharge to fund 911 operations. The commissioners also amended its 911 service plan, allowing for the changes.

County officials made the changes to comply with a state law that was passed last year.

Under the changes, the state will stop collecting the 911 wireless surcharge of 29 cents on June 30. The surcharge will be replaced by a monthly surcharge of 19 cents, which will be placed on all communications devices including landlines, wireless phones and Voice Over Internet Protocols, Internet connections capable of connecting to a 911 system.

In Crawford County, that means that the surcharge, approved by voters in 2004 which accounts for a \$4 charge

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## Spring Art Walk planned for downtown

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A new organization has been formed to bolster interest in fine arts in the community and create more traffic in the downtown business district.

The Watershed Art Project was launched to create an interest in fine arts, northern Michigan artists and to help generate business for downtown Grayling.

The Watershed Art Project's first event was the Christmas Walk Art Show, which was greeted with rave reviews and enjoyed by over 700 people.

A committee for the project, which was formed through the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership, is spearheading the efforts.

The committee includes:

- Terry Dickinson, a Grayling artist who has done several outdoor and indoor murals and art projects in the community over the years.

- Scott McClain, the owner of McClain and Son Construction, whose daughter Jeanna McClain is an artist.

- Pam Fisher, the director of Kenquest House and a community volunteer, whose daughter

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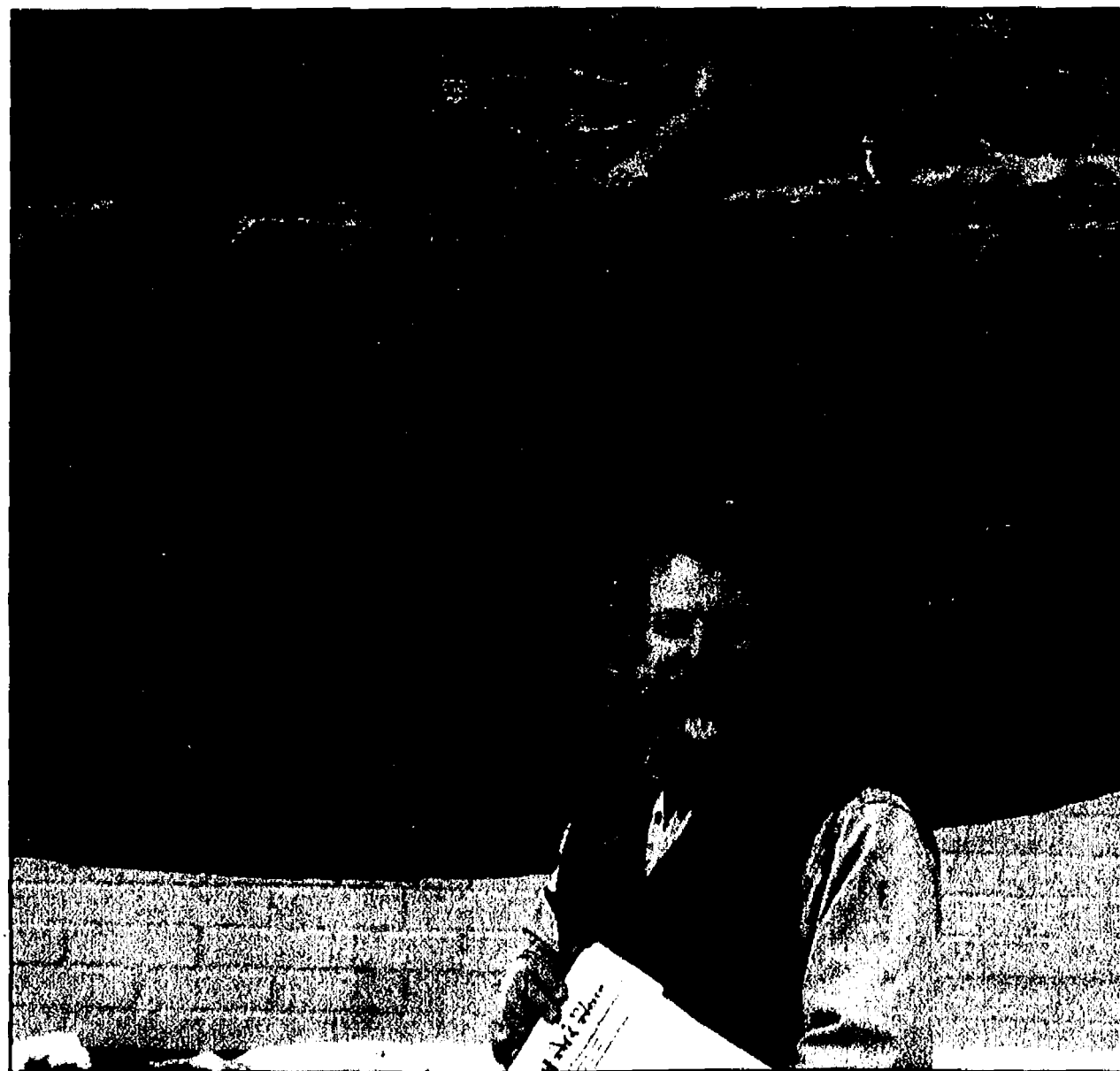


Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Watershed Art Project committee plans to hold a Spring Art Walk from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 26, which is the opening day of trout season. Above, Grayling artist Terry Dickinson, a member of the Watershed Art Project committee, is pictured by a mural he did of a trout fishermen for Riverland Gear in downtown Grayling.

## Blizzard Fest slated to be held on Lake Margrethe

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Grayling Youth Booster Club and Camp Grayling have partnered to give the community some wintertime fun out on Lake Margrethe.

The Grayling Youth Booster Club's inaugural Blizzard Fest will be held at noon on Saturday, Feb. 23, at Camp Grayling. The Grayling Youth Booster Club is a nonprofit group, which raises funds for youth recreation programs and activities, and helps purchase playground equipment and supplies.

The Blizzard Fest will include an ice golfing tournament and an euchre tournament.

Ice golfing involves hitting tennis balls with golf clubs into holes made with an auger in the ice on Lake Margrethe.

Two-person teams will be allowed to bring two clubs each, but drivers are not allowed. The teams will use a putter or hockey stick to putt the balls into the holes.

"It's kind of like golfing in the summer with a twist," said Rob Aubry, the president of the Grayling Youth Booster Club.

A nine-hole golf course will be laid out on Lake Margrethe, with holes being 100 to 150 yards apart. Rick Schmidt, vice president of the Grayling Youth

Booster Club, and Max Tobin, a Grayling Youth Booster member, are designing the course.

Schmidt said he took part in an ice golfing tournament at Harrison's Frostbite Open.

"It's like a normal golf outing - you just try to put her in the hole in the ice," Schmidt said. "It's just a lot of fun, being with friends and being out on the lake."

Jeff Branch, the Grayling Middle School principal and Grayling Youth Booster member, will also work on the course.

Joe Smock, a Grayling Youth Booster member who works at Camp Grayling's Maneuver Area Training Equipment Site, will also help design the course. Smock has served as a liaison between Camp Grayling and the Grayling Youth Booster Club.

Non-golfers are encouraged to take part in the Blizzard Fest's euchre tournament, which will be held at the Camp Grayling Armory. Grayling Youth Booster Club members Chris Sheldon and Paula Dubes are organizing the tournament.

"For those people that like euchre, they're not going to be disappointed," Aubry said.

The fee to participate in Blizzard Fest is \$40 for a two-day

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# County approves 911 funding changes

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on their landlines, will not be collected effective June 30. The surcharge was set to expire this year.

Instead, the County will receive a \$2.73 surcharge for every communication device capable of contacting 911 in the county, said Larry Akers, Crawford County's 911 and emergency management director.

The changes level the playing field for consumers and helps provide stable funding for 911 services, Akers said. Prior to the changes, counties could collect up to \$4 per month for 911 services for landlines, but only 55 cents for a cellular or wireless phone.

"We were losing a tremendous amount of money as people were getting rid of their landlines and using cellular or wire-

less phones, so this is more equitable," Akers said.

The county will receive \$390,242 for 911 services. The funds will be collected by the communications companies, and will be funneled through the state.

Each county's 911 surcharge has to be approved by the Public Service Commission.

The landline surcharge would have only generated about

\$354,700 for the current fiscal year.

"This will keep us up and running, and we will not have to look at alternative ways to fund the 911," Akers said.

Statewide, the new surcharge will generate about \$20.9 million.

About 82 percent of the funding will be distributed to counties. The remaining amount collected will go to fund 911 network costs for the delivery of wireless calls to dispatch centers. A 911 training program will also be funded, and the Michigan State Police will receive funding to operate a regional dispatch center that receives and dispatches 911 calls.

Counties may adjust their surcharge annually on July 1, and are required to notify the Emergency Telephone Service Committee of the changes.

The new state law also increases the penalty for improperly using 911 services, from a misdemeanor punishable by 93 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine, to 180 days in jail and a \$5,000 fine. The penalty for multiple violations was increased from a felony punishable by two years in prison and a \$2,000 fine to two years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

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person golf team, and \$20 per person for the euchre tournament.

Pre-registration for the event is required, since people will not be able to access Camp Grayling if their names are not on a list, due to military security measures.

"We encourage everybody who wants to be part of Blizzard Fest activities to pre-register, because we don't want to have anyone turned away disappointed," Aubry said.

Aubry said the Grayling Youth Booster Club appreciates the cooperation from Col. Dean Brown, the Camp Grayling commander, to help organize Blizzard Fest.

Brown and the Camp Grayling staff are providing use of the Armory, busing down to the lake and access to Lake Margrethe.

"He's been nothing short of excellent, making sure that whatever we needed, we could get," Aubry said.

Pizza and refreshments will be served following the ice golfing tournament and the euchre tournament.

Aubry encourages area residents to get out and enjoy the winter weather at Blizzard Fest.

"It's that time of year when people aren't getting out much and are kind of getting cabin fever," Aubry said. "Blizzard Fest is a time to get together, have some fun in wintertime and support the kids in the community."

Individuals who want to pre-register for Blizzard Fest are encouraged to contact Grayling Youth Booster member Tina Bassett, in the evenings, at 348-5194.

### Correction

Mark Hartman's wife is Marilyn Hartman ("Vikings honor local basketball coach," Page 1B, Feb. 7 edition).

The Avalanche apologizes for the error.



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## Fun Run supports animal shelter



The 4th annual Snowmobile Fun Run, to benefit the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, was held earlier this month. More than 25 riders followed a route from Dingman's Bar in Kalkaska, through part of Otsego County and then down through Crawford County ending at The Ole Barn in Grayling. Over \$1,350 was raised for the shelter animals, with the help of several local businesses and other animal lovers. Above, Carol Holmden, an emergency room nurse for Mercy Hospital Grayling, chose the prize donated by J.Dap Co. during a drawing after the Fun Run.

## Spring Art Walk planned for downtown

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Angela Fisher is an artist. Charlotte Bloomquist, the owner of the Bloomin' Grape Deli and Market, who sells the artwork of local artist on consignment.

Gaila Gilliland, the economic development director for the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership.

Marsha Koppa, a volunteer who has been involved in helping organize several community events and activities.

The Watershed Art Project plans to hold a Spring Art Walk from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 26, which is the opening day of trout season.

The Spring Art Walk will include artist displays in several downtown Grayling area businesses. The artists will be required to be on hand in an effort to establish a rapport between the artist and the public. The displays will stay in the

businesses for a week after the event where possible.

Over 500 artists are being encouraged to submit their work for the art walk, with a focus on artists who live in the immediate area.

The final artwork that will be included in the event will be selected by the committee.

"With some of the shows, we will hire a professional to do the jurying," Dickinson said. "We want to keep the art work as high quality as we can."

The committee applied for a Michigan Council for the Arts grant through Kirtland Community College, in hopes of providing a Watershed Award and a People's Choice Award. Gift certificates to area businesses will also be drawn for people who attend the art walk.

Gilliland said she believes that generating an interest in the arts will help revitalize the downtown business district and fill the

storefronts with artists displaying their craft.

"Any time you can diversify, you spread the potential for more people to visit an area, and in this case, specifically the downtown," Gilliland said. "I think long term, there is the potential for filling additional storefronts that are dedicated toward the arts."

McClain, who started wood carving with the Northwoods Carvers in Gaylord three years ago, said he hopes the project will generate interest for local artists and the community.

"We're trying to create a little traffic," he said. "Right now, the town has never looked so bad, and I don't see retailers going in there."

Fisher, whose daughter graduated from the Chicago Institute of Arts, said she hopes to create more opportunities for youth in the community.

"I've always been interested

in the arts through Angela," Fisher said.

The committee opted to hold the Spring Art Walk prior to the influx of tourists. A Fall Art Walk is also being planned.

"We want to get people downtown, when there is not the bustle of the tourists," Dickinson said.

Student shows will also be included in future events.

"Right now, it's too much work to go to the school and get them motivated for the Spring Art Walk," Dickinson said. "We would have to start in the fall and pump it."

Eventually, the group hopes to create a community arts center, similar to the Midland Center of the Arts, where there would be permanent and rotating art displays and art education programs offered.

"Whether we ever get there or not, God only knows," Dickinson said.

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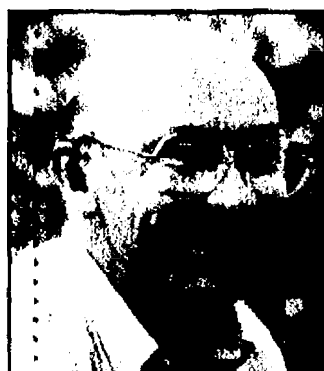
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# What happened to Mitt Romney's quest?

THE WHOLE IDEA could have come straight out of central casting.

Mitt Romney seemed like the perfect candidate for president.

Handsome, photogenic, energetic and articulate. Accomplished public servant as governor of a large state and savior of the international Olympics Games. Beautiful wife and handsome family. Wealthy from a successful career in business, and willing to spend heavily from his own pocket for his campaign. Son of a well-known and well-regarded family. Not even a hint of scandal anywhere in his background.

Now he decided to run for president .... and why not? Neither party had a pre-determined leader in the presidential picture. It was wide open.

The natural questions for Mitt Romney were simple: If not now, when? If not me, then who?

Eventually, of course, nine other Republicans asked themselves the same questions, and

came out with different results. The field eventually grew to 10 announced GOP candidates plus eight Democratic candidates.

MITT ROMNEY started early, and worked hard. He hired the best political and policy teams he could locate. They laid out a relatively simple campaign plan: Concentrate on the early decision-making states - Iowa and New Hampshire - and work them hard to win both. Then ride the momentum from these two opening victories into the next few states and the big Feb. 5 multi-state primary schedule, and thus build an unstoppable lead for the nomination.

It all looked so good on paper, and it might have worked.

But what happened to the Mitt Romney campaign, causing the candidate to withdraw from the race seven months before the nominating convention?

The answer is pretty simple, too: Mitt Romney never caught on with the public. It was issues

mainly, with perhaps a touch of religious bias.

His opponents, and the media, accused him of political expediency, with some cause. When he challenged Democratic icon Ted Kennedy in a Massachusetts senate race in 1994, Mr. Romney had courted moderate voters with liberal-side statements and positions on abortion, gay rights, gun control and some other hot button issues. When he ran successfully for Massachusetts governor in 2002, he had maintained a similar posture.

Now in his presidential bid 14 years after the Kennedy campaign, Mr. Romney claimed he had studied the issues further and reached different conclusions on abortion rights, for example. That could be true, but the flip-flop tag stuck, and campaign opponents - and media critics - would accept no other rationale for the 2008 Romney positions.

THEN THERE is the Huckabee factor.

Like everyone else, Mitt Romney failed to foresee the rise of the Rev. Mike Huckabee, former Arkansas governor, who commanded religious fundamentalists and ruined the Romney strategy by carrying Iowa.

Mitt Romney had aimed his appeal to the so-called Religious Right, but Mike Huckabee owned that ground from the outset.

His religion as a Mormon may have played an additional role hurting Mr. Romney. Unfortunately, religious prejudice may have influenced some voters, who refused to accept or were mystified by Mormonism, and turned against casting Romney votes.

Sen. John McCain's campaign rising from the near-dead also was a surprise, although Rudy Giuliani and Fred Thompson becoming only minor actors in the presidential drama should not have been too unexpected.

After Iowa and beginning with New Hampshire, Republican

conservatives divided their votes between the Romney and Huckabee camps, which helped Sen. McCain fuel his resuscitated efforts and pile up delegates, causing Mitt Romney to reassess his own efforts and choosing to step aside, citing the need for party harmony.

SO WHAT HAPPENED to Mitt Romney's textbook campaign?

In a nutshell, it seems to me, Mitt Romney never established a winning identity with voters - a warm and fuzzy image of a guy with whom they would like to share a cup of coffee or a beer (or a milk shake, since Mormons abstain from both alcohol and coffee).

Too many voters seemed to regard him more as an aloof and perhaps greedy businessman, trying to reach out and grab the White House, no matter how much money it would cost or what positions he had to take or promises he had to make to get it.

The question to voters became whether this was a guy to whom they were willing to trust the country, and not enough "yes" answers came back. People don't elect a guy they don't trust.

Personally I think Mitt Romney has the right stuff and would be a good and successful president.

Will Mitt Romney be back again?

It's likely. He's an energetic 60 years old now. In 2012 in the next presidential year, Mitt Romney will be 64, and not even 70 the next time around in eight years. John McCain is 71.

In any scenario, if Mitt Romney is to be successful in presidential politics, he must work on his public image, and let voters see him as he is, and not as others wish him to be.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

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Bill (on "Grayling doctor helps save teen after accident" story)

"What the doctor did was great. I think he and his wife should be (honored) for what they did." - Kim (on "Grayling doctor helps save teen after accident" story)

"While I generally agree with Mr. Wojcik, thinking lower gas prices will cause some kind of magical 'butterfly effect' on the economy and the mood of the lower income working class is simplistic. Alternative energy sources (so-called 'green energy') can have an immediate effect and are finally becoming money making ventures, but no thanks to big oil or the politicians that big oil has in their pocket. Abnormally high per barrel costs for petroleum are only an indicator of what is to come - (and you better believe that gas prices will continue to increase) - and lower gas prices are only a temporary panacea to a terminal illness...our reliance on 19th century technology is destroying our planet. The truth is there is no simple quick fix." - Bill (on gas prices letter to the editor)

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# EDITOR

## Festival parade set for July 26

To the editor:

The first meeting of the River Festival Parade Committee was held on Jan. 31, at the Ramada Inn of Grayling.

Eight members of the committee met to set the theme of the parade, review fund raising efforts, publicity, emcees and other important factors.

The committee chose a theme that will hopefully be exciting to all the people of Grayling. The theme is "Celebrate Grayling."

The committee is hoping that this year more businesses and local groups will be enthusiastic and excited and enter the parade with a float or car advertising their business and their place in Grayling. A beauty shop could advertise, "We keep Grayling beautiful," a restaurant could advertise, "We feed Grayling." There's an idea for everyone to "Celebrate Grayling."

We need parade entries from Hanson Hills, all service organizations and children's groups. We need entries from realtors, title companies, industries and motels.

Each member of the commit-

tee has a job to do and the committee would welcome anyone who would like to be a part of this exciting project. We'd like to have the best parade in the north. You can help.

Our next meeting will be on Feb. 28, at noon, at the Ramada Inn dining room. Think about it - be there!

Betty Bennett  
Publicity, Parade Committee  
Grayling

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

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## Online Poll Results

Last week's online poll question and results:

### What do you think of the proposed Main Street America theme park?

It will never be built. (89 Votes, 63%)	It will be built, but it will not be successful. (20 Votes, 14%)	It will be built, and it will succeed. (33 Votes, 23%)
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This week's online poll question: Which candidate, Barack Obama or Hillary Clinton, will secure the Democratic party's presidential nomination?

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## The history of Valentine's Day

As early as the fourth century B.C., the Romans engaged in an annual young man's rite to passage. Names of teenage women were placed in a box and drawn at random by young men; thus, a man was assigned a woman companion for the duration of the year, after which another lottery was staged.

After 800 years of this practice, the early church fathers sought to put it to an end. They found an answer in Valentine, a bishop who had been martyred some 200 years earlier near Rome in about the year 270 A.D.

At that time the Roman Emperor forbade marriage. The emperor felt that married men were more emotionally attached to their families, and thus, would not make good soldiers. So, he banned marriage.

Valentine, a bishop, seeing the trauma of young lovers, met them in a secret place, and joined them in the sacrament of matrimony.

The emperor learned of this practice and had Valentine arrested. On Feb. 24, 270, Valentine was executed.

While Valentine was in prison awaiting his fate, he came in contact with his jailer's blind daughter.

The jailer requested him to heal his daughter and through his faith he miraculously restored the sight of the blind daughter.

Just before Valentine's execution, he asked for a pen and paper from his jailer, and signed a farewell message to her "from your Valentine," a phrase that lived ever after.

Valentine thus became a Patron Saint and spiritual overseer of an annual festival. The festival involved young Romans offering women they admired, and wished to court, handwritten greetings of affection on Feb. 14. The greeting acquired St. Valentine's name.

The Valentine's Day card spread with Christianity, and is now celebrated all over the world. One of the earliest cards was sent in 1415 by Charles, Duke of Orleans, to his wife while he was a prisoner in the Tower of London. The card is now preserved in the British Museum.

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# BRIEFS

## Free divorce clinic to be held

A free divorce clinic will take place at the Crawford County Courthouse on Feb. 21, at 5:30 p.m. It is sponsored by the 46th Judicial Circuit Bar Association, Legal Services of Northern Michigan, Inc., and River House Shelter, Inc. For information, call Legal Services at 989-705-1067.

## Friends of the library to hold book sale

Friends of the Crawford County Library will be holding their annual "March Madness" book sale on March 13 and 14, at the Crawford County Library. Donations of gently used books can be dropped off at the library during regular business hours. For more information, call the library at 348-9214.

## Band boosters to hold monthly meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 6:30 p.m., in the Grayling Middle School band room. All parents of band students are encouraged to attend.

## Grayling Eagles to hold meeting

The Grayling Eagles #3465 will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. There will be a discussion and voting on a proposal to purchase property for the potential relocation of the Aerie. All interested members are encouraged to attend.

## TEFAP food distribution to be held

TEFAP food will be distributed on Feb. 18, from 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., at the Frederic Elementary School.

## Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to [crawfordcountyavalanche.com](http://crawfordcountyavalanche.com), click on community and go to the community calendar.

## Quintet takes center stage at KCPA

Music lovers will have a chance to hear gypsy jazz at its finest, as the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts presents the John Jorgenson Quintet for one show only on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 8 p.m.

The John Jorgenson Quintet features guitarist John Jorgenson, a founding member of the Desert Rose Band, the Hellocasters and a six-year member of Elton John's band. Artists ranging from Barbra Streisand to Bonnie Raitt to Earl Scruggs have sought out Jorgenson's guitar work. Recently, Jorgenson was chosen to portray "Django Reinhardt" in the feature film, "Head in the Clouds."

At a John Jorgenson Quintet performance, audiences are amazed by Jorgenson's dazzling guitar work, as well as his mastery as a clarinet player and vocalist. Whether playing his own compositions or classic standards, Jorgenson and his band make music that is equal-

ly romantic and ecstatic, played with virtuosity and soul.

Tickets for the John Jorgenson Quintet are \$24 and \$22, and may be purchased online at [www.kirtland.edu/kcpa](http://www.kirtland.edu/kcpa) or by calling the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777. Senior, student, group and family discounts are available.

Child care services - \$5 for one child or \$10 per family - will be available during the performance at the Children's Learning Center located on the campus. Parents are encouraged to call in advance. Free shuttle service is also provided from the parking lot to the main lobby doors.

For more information regarding the child care services or upcoming performances, persons may call the KCPA Ticket Office or 989-275-5000, extension 232. Or, for additional details about the John Jorgenson Quintet, visit online at [www.johnjorgenson.com](http://www.johnjorgenson.com).

## Department of State offices to close for Presidents Day

All branch offices, and the Office of the Great Seal, will be closed in observance of Presidents Day on Monday, Feb. 18.

The Department of State mails notices to motorists 45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates, that expire on a day when state offices are closed such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet or touch-tone telephone. Easy to follow instructions can be found

with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

With the exception of holidays, branch offices are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Smaller branch offices may close for the lunch hour. On Wednesdays most offices are open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., with those in city centers open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PLUS offices and SUPER!Centers are open from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. SUPER!Centers also provide Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information, visit the department Web site at [www.Michigan.gov/sos](http://www.Michigan.gov/sos).

## LIBRARY NEWS

Get "Hung Up" at the Frederic Community Library on Saturday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m., for a wood-working craft that can be used in your bedroom. Kids will design a personalized wall rack that can be used to hold some of their favorite things. Call Connie Meyer to sign up at 989-348-4067.

"Hammer Time" is a Camouflage Club event for kids that is sure to bring out the handyman in them. Special guest, Jason McLean from Ace Hardware, will join us at Devereaux Memorial Library on Wednesday, Feb. 27, at 3:30 p.m. for a cool tool presentation and woodworking project. For more

## Travelogue matinee presents 'Royal England'

The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment's 35th season of the Travel and Adventure Series will present a Sunday matinee featuring "Royal England." Filmed and narrated by Charles Hartman, the show will be held at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium on Feb. 24.

"Royal England" is an opportunity to see the relics of a proud British past that stretches through the Medieval ages of kings and queens all the way back to the Roman Empire.

Stops include Harrogate, "England's Flower Town", York, Canterbury, Stratford and, of course, swinging London.

For those who have never been to England, those who are planning to visit or those who want to refresh their memories, "Royal England" is a can't miss

documentary.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. The show will begin at 2 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students, and are available at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce or at the door.

For more information on this performance, or a schedule for the upcoming series, call the Chamber at 989-348-2921.

The Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series, and the Travel and Adventure Series, is made possible with the generous support of lead sponsor Fick and Sons, Inc. of Grayling, in partnership with the Grayling Promotional Association, area businesses and corporations, grants from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.



Grayling Promotional Association's Travel and Adventure Series will hold a Sunday afternoon matinee, on Feb. 24, featuring "Royal England", narrated by Charles Hartman, at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

## NEMCSA offers free tax preparation for qualified filers

In an effort to reach those who qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), but don't use it, a local agency is offering free tax preparation for low-income filers.

The EITC can help individuals and families increase their gross income by as much as 33 percent, but many eligible filers do not claim the credit. In response to this, Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMCSA) is once again offering free tax preparation in the 11 counties in which it serves.

The agency reports that there are two general reasons why people do not file for the EITC, they either don't know they qualify or they can't afford to pay for professional tax preparation.

By offering the service for free, NEMCSA hopes to increase the number of EITC claims, as well as increase the incomes of those persons. The EITC is a refundable credit for low-income working individuals and families. The important thing to note is that the filer doesn't have to pay it in to get it back.

NEMCSA staff members have attended training and are ready to assist filers. The free service is available to all who qualify for the tax credit. Staff will be able

to determine the filing status for each and whether or not they can itemize deductions.

For information, or to set up an appointment in your county, call toll free at 1-866-484-7077 ext. 252 for Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle counties. If you live in Arenac, Iosco and Ogemaw counties call 989-345-1090, ext. 302.

This service will be available through June of this year.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Sin Abuses Law

In Romans 7:7 we saw Law defended by God, the Law giver, the Law letter, and the Law spirit. "What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet." In Romans 7:8 we find sin's conceit, corruption, and concealment as God's holy law is misused by sin to multiply evil. "But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead."

We are reminded of the conceit of the fallen sin nature "taking occasion by the commandment" and abusing the purpose of God's law. We should not be surprised by this smugness and arrogance of sin by "taking occasion" of God's word. In 2 Corinthians 11:13-15 we are told that Satan is transformed into an angel of light; his false apostles are transformed into apostles of Christ; and his ministers are transformed as ministers of righteousness. Sin attempts to usurp God's law as a base of operation to promote its own power and rebellion. God warns of the results of this in Isaiah 5:20: "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter

for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"

We are told of the corruption resulting from sin "taking occasion" to twist God's holy Word. "But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence..." Concupiscence is an evil desire and longing for that which God forbids. We saw the danger of such sin before the flood in Genesis 6:5: "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." Colossians 3:5 instructs us to "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry." The end of lustful concupiscence and covetousness is idolatry. By harboring lust and covetousness within our hearts we are giving worship to Satan instead of God. We are guilty of idolatry. Even Christians before they were saved were guilty of such things according to Titus 3:3: "For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another."

Finally we see the concealment of sin until it is exposed by God's holy law. "For without the law sin was dead." "Whoever committeth sin transgresseth also

the law: for sin is the transgression of the law." (1 John 3:4). This is why we hear publicly very little about sin, guilt, judgment, or punishment today. To even mention sodomy or abortion as sins is politically incorrect and considered by many a hate crime. Again God warns of evil results in Isaiah 5:20: "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" As Jesus said in John 15:22: "If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin." Jesus said in John 3:19,20: "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. 20For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." In John 12:48 Jesus said: "48He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." Don't be deceived by the conceit, corruption, and concealment of sin. Pastor "B"

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Website: www.mmm-umc.org  
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Traditional Service ..... 9:00 am  
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Sunday School (preschool - 3rd grade) 10:00 am  
Adult Sunday School ..... 10:00 am  
Praise and Worship Service ..... 11 am  
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Services held Saturday at  
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entrance)

Saturday Church Service ..... 9:30 am  
Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 am  
Tuesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm

**Lovell's Community Chapel**  
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Pastor Larry Hankins  
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Sunday School (youth & adult) ..... 10 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
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**Free Methodist**  
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Adult and Youth Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
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Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Pastor Gary Wojdan  
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Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
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Wednesday Evening ..... 7 pm

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Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
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## 87TH DISTRICT COURT

### Sentencings for January 2008

#### Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Benjamin Michael Ledesma, age 28 of Bay City - Sentenced on Jan. 22, 2008, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$750 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

Gerald John Respecki, age 50 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 8, 2008, for violation of city ordinance #4.1 (L) exhibit obscene, lewd, immoral conduct; ordered to pay \$240 in fines.

Jason Kenneth Ozog, age 24 of Lincoln Park - Sentenced on Jan. 8, 2008, for failure to stop at the scene of a personal injury accident; ordered to pay \$425 in fines; placed on probation for 121 days.

Frank Lagard Spencer, age 48 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 15, 2008, for sex offender/failure to comply with reporting duties; ordered to pay \$1,015 in fines.

Stephen Lawrence Head, age 46 of Orion - Sentenced on Jan. 17, 2008, for open alcohol in a motor vehicle; ordered to pay \$165 in fines.

Dale Thomas Mayhew, age 17 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 8, 2008, for operating without security, receiving and concealing property under \$200 and driving while license not valid/improper license; ordered to pay \$950 in fines; placed on probation for 121 days.

Joshua Lee Richey, age 18 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Jan. 4, 2008, for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$520 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

Christopher James Springer, age 18 of Frederic - Sentenced on Jan. 8, 2008, for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$350 in fines; placed on proba-

tion for 91 days.

Donald Jefferson Holland, age 32 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Jan. 22, 2008, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$750 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

Joshua Edward Eldridge, age 30 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 22, 2008, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$830 in fines.

Peter David Howell, age 49 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 15, 2008, for controlled substance-use of marijuana and operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$1,330 in fines.

Alisha Arlyne Carlisle, age 23 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 29, 2008, for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$880 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

Mark Allen Richardson, age 47 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 29, 2008, for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$970 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

Angelo Jose Sotomayor, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 4, 2008, for operating while intoxicated and license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$1,110 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

Daniel Frederick Mathey, age 66 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 15, 2008, for controlled substance-possession of marijuana; ordered to pay \$1,120 in fines.

James Ramsey Minor IV, age 44 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 22, 2008, for operating without security; ordered to pay \$375 in fines.

#### Magistrate Camarin Talarico

Kenneth Michael Brillinger, age 57 of White Lake - 182 days

## 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

### Sentencings for January 2008

#### Hon. Janet M. Allen

Terry Lee Jamison, age 47 of Lapeer - Plead guilty on Nov. 19, 2007, to police-fleeing-fourth degree; sentenced on Jan. 7, 2008, to serve 30 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$300 circuit court costs; placed on probation for 12 months.

Joshua Edward Mahan, age 25 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Jan. 7, 2008, to check no account; sentenced on Jan. 7, 2008, to serve 35 days in jail with credit for 35 days served; ordered to pay \$42.42 restitution, \$50 crime victim rights fee,

\$315 circuit court costs and \$45 state minimum costs; placed on probation for six months.

#### Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Karen Dawn Weaver, age 33 of Dearborn Heights - Plead guilty on Oct. 15, 2007, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana and controlled substance delivery/manufacture schedule four; sentenced on Jan. 10, 2008, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$120 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$100 penal fine.

Charlene Ann Montney, age 43 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to motor vehi-

cle-unlawful use; sentenced on Jan. 10, 2008, to serve 60 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$60 state minimum costs and \$250 penal fine.

Christopher Dean Francis, age 22 of Frederic - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to controlled substance delivery less than 50 grams; sentenced on Jan. 10, 2008, to serve 150 days in jail with credit for 58 days served; ordered to pay \$500 penal fine, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$60 state minimum costs and \$200 restitution; placed on probation for 18 months.

Jeffrey Richard Lobsinger, age 36 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 4, 2008, for unlawful placement of bait for deer; ordered to pay \$205 in fines.

Justin Scott Sheldon, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$335 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

George Allen Gasser, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$325 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

David Allen Gilliland, age 20 of Frederic - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$335 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

Melissa Sue Scott, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$335 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

Jeffery Steven Todd, age 17 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$335 in fines; placed on probation for 91 days.

Ashley Kathryn Lockwood, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on Jan. 23, 2008, for alcohol-purchase/consume/possession by minor; ordered to pay \$525 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 89 complaints the week of Feb. 4 - Feb. 10:

One EMS response, 19 general non-criminal complaints, one structure fire, three false alarm activations, three assault/intimidation/stalkings, one burglary/home invasion, three larcenies, one motor vehicle theft, one obstruct justice-probation violation, one public peace/disorderly, eight health and safeties, four miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 18 traffic accidents, one parking violation, one inspection/investigation-motor vehicle, three inspections/investigations-property, nine inspections/investigations-family, one lost and found property, five suspicious situations, three driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

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# OBITUARIES



**Edwin F. Morfit, Sr.**

**Sept. 5, 1909 - Feb. 2, 2008**

Edwin Fiske Morfit, Sr., 98, of Falmouth, Va., passed away at his home on February 2, 2008.

He was born on September 5, 1909, in Reisterstown, Md.

He was married to the late Margaret E. Muller of Millburn, N.J., and was a great-grandson of Charles B. Fisk, a noted civil engineer of the C&O Canal.

He was a 1933 graduate of Rutgers University with a B.S. in chemistry. While attending Rutgers, he was also a ROTC "Best Soldier" in both his freshman and senior years. He went on to receive his M.S. in chemistry from Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute in 1942, and a M.A. in public administration from the University of Oklahoma in 1973.

He had a long and varied career spanning 50 years. Working in many technical, engineering, scientific and management capacities, in both the public and government sectors, he was responsible for developing several leading edge products in the areas of urea-formaldehyde and melamine-formaldehyde plastic formulations for commercial, military and civilian applications, while working for the likes of Brookpark Plastics, American Cyanamid, American Viscose and FMC. His final career was working on several engineering projects in radar countermeasures, at the U.S. Naval Weapons Laboratory in Dahlgren, Va., from 1968 until retirement in 1982.

He was a past member of the American Management Association, ASTM and two honorary scientific societies, Sigma Xi and Phi Lambda Upsilon.

Throughout his life, he was a devout Christian and a man of faith, serving as vestryman and treasurer for several Episcopal churches, and most recently, a member of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Fredericksburg.

Especially in his later retirement years, "Pops," as he liked to be called, cherished his time working with his son John in professional motocross sports and, later on, time spent with his friends of the Coffee Club at both the Virginia Deli and Hardees' of Fredericksburg. He also enjoyed his time and astute conversations with his friend, Ms. Sarah Rollins.

He is survived by his sons, Edwin F. Morfit, Jr. of Eugene, Ore.; Jeffrey M. (Teresa A.) Morfit of Falmouth; David B. (Debra R.) Morfit of Front Royal, Paul S. Morfit of Rock Hill, S.C.; John L. (Tanya Y.) Morfit of Fredericksburg, Va.; daughter, Claire Morfit Hunkins; five grandchildren; and great-grandchildren of London, Ohio; two granddaughters, of Front Royal, and a granddaughter, Brooke of Fredericksburg, Va.

A memorial service celebrating his life was held on February 9, at Trinity Episcopal Church, Fredericksburg, Va., with the Rev. Kent Rahm officiating. Cremated remains will be interred at a later date with his wife in New Jersey.

The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Hospice of your choice, or to Trinity Episcopal Church, 825 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22041.

Arrangements made by Mullins & Thompson Funeral Service, Fredericksburg, Va.

## Yette J. Szkotnicki

**Feb. 10, 1923 - Feb. 5, 2008**

Yette Joyce (Stephan) Szkotnicki, 84, of Grayling, passed away on February 5, 2008.

She was born in Mancelona, on February 10, 1923, to the late Theodore H. and Ruth Ernestine (Engel) Stephan.

She graduated from Grayling High School.

She worked at the Ford Motor-Bomber Plant in Willow Run.

She enlisted in the US Navy and served during WWII as a storekeeper.

While stationed in Hawaii, she met her husband Norbert A. Szkotnicki.

They were married in Grayling on May 11, 1946. They lived for about 30 years in Ohio and returned to live in Grayling in 1982, where they made their home on the original Stephan settlement on the AuSable.

She embraced her family closely and was a true matriarch.

She was proud of her service to our country, she participated in many patriotic activities and was very community minded.

She was a member for many years of the VFW, American Legion, American Red Cross-M Cross, WAVES National and the Community of Christ Church. She assisted in collecting the census and volunteered for the Crawford County Historical Society.

She is survived by her daughter, Yette Charlotte (Jose-Antonio) Saraiva of Holt; grandchildren: Lucio S. (Carol) Saraiva, Nikolas (Nicole) Saraiva, Yara S. (David) Roe, and Jason H. Cecil; great-grandchildren: Yasmin A. Saraiva-Meissner, Conner-Alexander S. Roe, Endy F. Saraiva, Macayla M. Saraiva, Devon S. Watson, Mallory A. Cecil; brothers, Theodore H. Stephan Jr. and Jay L. Stephan Sr. of Grayling; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norbert A. Szkotnicki in 1983; and her son, Norbert J. Szkotnicki in 1999.

A Celebration of Life and Military Honors was held on February 10.

The family requests that, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be designated to the VFW National Home for Children Attn: Tammy Manchester, 3573 S. Waverly Rd., Eaton Rapids, MI 48827.

Condolences may be sent to [sorensonlockwood.com](http://sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

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Howard Madsen and family

## In Memory of

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Love, Mom and family

## RAFFLE WINNERS

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Feb. 10 of \$25 each: Jack Robideau, Cathy Holton, Bill Golinick and Chris Golinick.

### Grayling Lions Club

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## Ruth E. Moore

**Dec. 6, 1922 - Feb. 3, 2008**

Ruth Elisabeth Moore, 85, passed away at home on February 3, 2008.

She was born in Grayling, on December 6, 1922, to Arnold S. Burrows and Cora May Walker.

She attended Grayling High School and graduated from Wayne University with a teaching degree in home economics.

She taught school in Detroit, the Houghton area, in the U.P., and in Grayling. She also obtained a California teaching credential at Berkeley Calif., and substituted at various schools in the Bay Area.

On December 24, 1944, she married William T. Moore, in Boston, Mass., at the USCG Constitution Warf Chapel. This resulted in a 63 year marriage. They established homes in Houghton, Chicago, Ill., Lafayette, Calif., Cleveland, Ohio and a retirement home in Grayling.

She was quite artistic, an excellent seamstress, a good cook and a good homemaker. She raised three children.

She was an active member of the United Methodist Church, while attending high school and later in retirement.

She is survived by her husband; Bill Moore; children, Leslie O. Moore of Cleveland, Ohio and Jamie L. Moore of Corvallis, Ore.; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

She was preceded in death by her son, William A. Moore. At her request, a cremation and a memorial service will be held in the spring.

Memorials may be made to Mercy Hospice, 324 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738 or Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

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## Florian Latuszek

**May 2, 1932 - Feb. 10, 2008**

Florian "Doc" Latuszek, 75, of Grayling, passed away on February 10, 2008.

He was born in Johannesburg, on May 2, 1932, to the late Thomas and Agnes (Fisher) Latuszek.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1950, and served in the Korean War.

He married Darlene May (Wolf) Latuszek on March 2, 1957, in Gaylord.

He had been a resident of Grayling for 50 years.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene; daughters, Shannon (Allen) Secord of Grayling, Terri Rankin of Grayling, sons: Ronald (Catherine) Latuszek of Grayling, Douglas (Denise) Latuszek of Grayling; eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild; several nieces and nephews; brothers, Chester (Joann) Latuszek of Gaylord and Peter (Frieda) Latuszek of Grayling.

He was preceded in death by his brother John Latuszek and his nephew Michael Latuszek.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, February 13, from 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home in Grayling.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling on Thursday, February 14, at 11 a.m., with Father Robert Nalley officiating.

Interment will be at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, in Gaylord.

The family requests that memorial contributions may be made to his family.

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Friday, Feb. 15 - Lunch - salmon patty with cream sauce, green beans, orange carrot almandine and grapes. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 12 p.m. Lovells Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, Feb. 18 - Lunch - beef stir-fry with rice, peas and pineapple. Dinner - pork chops, glazed sweet potatoes, corn and applesauce. 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Back On Duty, 1 p.m. Bridge.

Tuesday, Feb. 19 - Lunch - Swedish meatballs with rice, asparagus, carrots and grapes. Dinner - baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, Brussels sprouts and pears. 10 a.m. Tone

and Tubes and Bible Study, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 1 p.m. Sit and Be Fit, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. game night.

Wednesday, Feb. 20 - Lunch - beef baked ziti, corn, tossed salad and peaches. Dinner - stuffed cabbage, green beans, carrots, oranges and grapefruit and a peanut butter brownie. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. Kings and Queens, 2 p.m. pool league and caregiver class, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Wendy's Fund-raiser Night, 5:30 p.m. Price Is Right game show.

Thursday, Feb. 21 - Lunch - pork roast, stuffing, broccoli, mixed fruit and honey-nut apples. Dinner - beef tips in gravy with noodles, mixed vegetables, cauliflower and pineapple. 10 a.m. craft class, 12 p.m. Kiwanis meeting, 2 p.m. Uno Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Feb. 14 - 20 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Feb. 14 and Feb. 19 - 20.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training

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This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number is 989 348-6371. For further information, call 1-989-344-6320.

## AREA EVENTS

**Roscommon** - Ralph and Vicki Cianciarulo, of The Archers Choice, will be the guest speakers at Roscommon Baptist Church's 14th Annual Wild Game Dinner. Ralph and Vicki are known as North America's favorite hunting couple. They are Golden Moose award winners for a fan favorite show on the outdoor channel and numerous Reader's Choice gold award winners for articles in Bowhunting World Magazine. Their passion for hunting and the out of doors has led them all over the world and makes their show so enjoyable to watch. Not to mention the not so subtle competition between the two when it comes to who shot the biggest deer, bear, moose etc.

They will be sharing some of their hunting experiences and answering questions after dinner.

The dinner will be held at Bambi Lake Baptist Conference Center on Monday, Feb. 25, at 6 p.m. Tickets for the event are available in Higgins Lake at Dr. Ritchies chiropractic clinic, 821-6990, Roscommon Baptist Church, 275-5585, and Body & Soul Fitness Club in Houghton Lake, 366-9468.

The event will include dinner featuring wild boar, elk, deer, antelope, catfish and homemade pies. For those staying for the program, door prizes include a Traditions magnum muzzle-loader, 2 Genesis youth bows, quilts, and much more.

**Gaylord** - The American Red Cross will hold two blood drives in Gaylord. On Friday, Feb. 15, it will be held at the Evangelical Free Church, 1649 M-32 East, from noon - 5:45 p.m., co-sponsored by RSVP and the Gaylord Rotary Club. On Wednesday, Feb. 27, the Gaylord Herald Times will sponsor a blood drive at the Eagles Club (F.O.E.), 515 S. Wisconsin, from noon - 5:45 p.m.

**Petoskey** - Singles for Christ dinner group will meet at China King Buffet, 1340 N. U.S. 31, Petoskey, at 7 p.m., on Saturday, Feb. 16. Following dinner, there will be a movie at Zion Lutheran Church, 500 W. Mitchell, in Petoskey next to the hospital. Bring your own popcorn and beverage. Reservations are needed, call Frieda at 347-3438 weekdays, 347-5747 evenings or weekends, or e-mail at frieda@compnor.com.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following complaints during the period of Feb. 3 - Feb. 10:

Five traffic warnings, one private property accident, two traffic accidents, three civil infrac-

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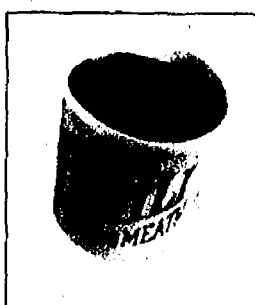
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## Odell assumes ownership of Coldwell Banker office

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A veteran Grayling real estate broker has branched out to assume ownership of a real estate office focused on the Roscommon, Higgins Lake and Houghton Lake areas.

Bonnie Odell, and her husband David Odell, took over the Coldwell Banker Classic Realty office, located at 9541 North Cut Road in Roscommon, on Jan. 1.

Odell began working for Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty as a sales associate in 1998. A year later, after receiving her real estate license, she became a real estate broker and a manager for the firm. Prior to joining Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty, Odell served as a sales associate for Re/Max of Grayling for three years.

The retirement of David Odell,

who served as services supervisor for the Michigan Department of Human Services in Gladwin County, prompted the opportunity to purchase the Coldwell Banker Classic Realty office from Laurie Jamison.

Jamison said she was either seeking to downsize the business or expand into other markets. She said selling the Roscommon office to Odell would help the business and Roscommon office grow in the current challenging real estate market, which is due to the slow economy. Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty has offices in Grayling and Kalkaska.

"It will allow us both to concentrate on the market place versus trying to spread ourselves too thin," Jamison said.

Odell said she hopes to increase the market share for the

office, offer a new means of marketing for clients and increase the education of real estate agents based out of the office. The office has six agents and three office employees.

Odell, who has lived in Roscommon for 24 years, will continue to serve a customer base she has established in Crawford County, while focusing on the Roscommon, Higgins Lake and Houghton Lake real estate markets.

"It's a tremendous opportunity," Odell said.

Odell said she likes the challenge of meeting the needs of her customers and clients in the ever-changing real estate market.

"My favorite thing to do is to sell a house to a first-time homebuyer," she said.

The Odells have two grown children and two grandchildren.

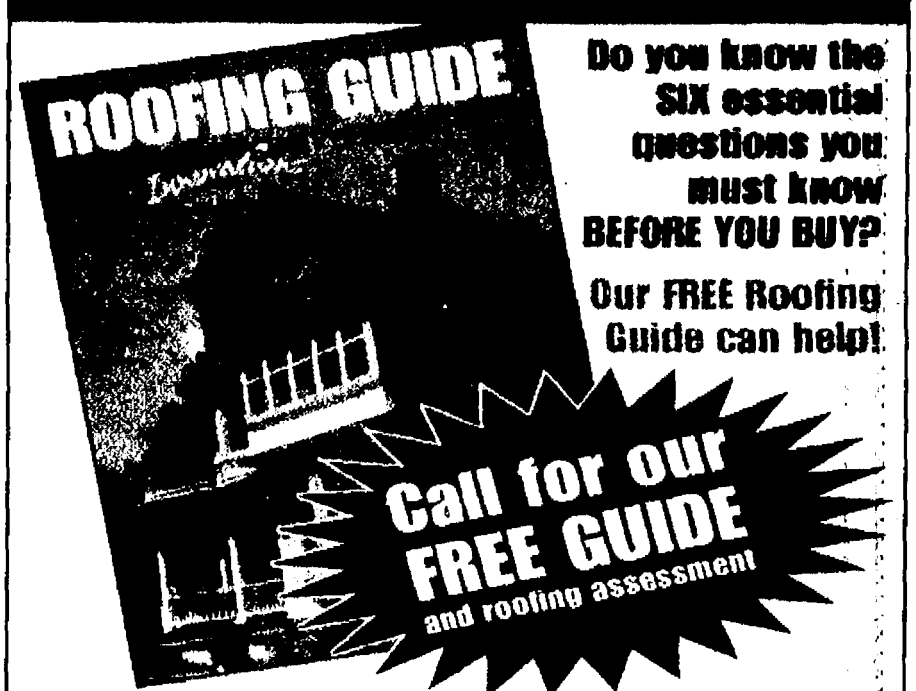


Bonnie Odell

Odell's son, James Herron, is currently working to obtain his real estate license so he can join the business as an agent. David Odell also plans to get his license.

"Hopefully, we will have the entire family involved in the business," Odell said.

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## GMS names students of the month



The students selected as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for January are, from the left: (back row) Matt Burrell, Angel Copenhaver, Avery Daniel, Haley Darling, Nick Dorn, Sierra Dyer, Cynthia Graham, KayLynn DeHart, Jake Hoover; (middle row) Ashley Lee, Dillon Miller, Logan Miller, Cassandra Northrup, Shelby Northrup, Caitlin Prosser, Dylan Stowell, Jake Swander; (front row) Josie Swander, Tyler Theaker, Tyler White, Emily Wingard, Judy Wright; (not pictured) Josh Golnick.



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## Millar earns Eagle Scout rank



Alex Millar

Grayling Boy Scout Alex Millar of Troop 995 has recently earned the highest rank in Boy Scouts, the rank of Eagle. Alex has spent 11 years in scouts here in Grayling, starting with Cub Scouts Pack 3993. Starting as a

Wolf Scout, he went through the Cub Scout program earning the highest rank in Cubs, the Arrow of Light.

Since then, Millar has worked through the Boy Scout program earning the necessary ranks and merit badges. He has held leadership positions such as patrol leader, quartermaster and senior patrol leader to name a few.

To earn Eagle rank, a scout must plan, carry out and lead a project to benefit his community. Millar chose to build a set of stairs on the back side of the township park leading down to the river path.

Before the project, it was a steep hill with no easy way down, and erosion of the hill was

taking place. Now, a set of stairs with railings makes the trip down to the river much easier. Millar had help on the project by members of his troop and friends of the community.

Millar has also been Junior Leader Trained, has earned the World Conservation Award and is a Brotherhood Member in the Order of the Arrow.

"Millar has been a great scout to have around and is very good with the skills he has learned," said Scoutmaster Jim Pickell.

A Court of Honors was held at Mt. Hope Lutheran, to bestow the rank of Eagle upon Millar, in January. He plans to graduate from high school and pursue a career in the military.

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## Killer wolves worry farmers, hunters and pet owners

by Brooke Meier  
Capital News Service

It was opening day of bear hunting season and Baldwin resident Tim Dusterwinkle was looking forward to hunting in the Baraga Plains with his five dogs, including Cowboy, a 3 1/2-year-old treeing walker.

"We had found some good tracks so I let the dogs go and they took off. After an hour, they treed a bear and I began to walk towards where they were barking," Dusterwinkle said.

The dogs had treed the bear in a difficult, hilly area of the western Upper Peninsula and it took a while for Dusterwinkle to get to them.

"I was about a quarter mile away from where the dogs were when they stopped barking. I thought maybe the bear had gotten down and ran away. It happens sometimes, and the dogs will then take off and try to tree it again.

"I didn't know what had happened and came across a few of the dogs who had taken off. I noticed that Cowboy wasn't there, which was unusual -- he was a good dog."

Dusterwinkle walked towards the tree where the dogs had been and made a gruesome discovery.

"I found Cowboy in the woods dead. It wasn't pretty -- his hide had been torn off and it looked like he had been skinned," he said.

A wolf was responsible.

It was a sad day for Dusterwinkle and his family. Cowboy wasn't just a hunting dog -- he was a pet and he was about the same size as a wolf.

Attacks on dogs by wolves aren't limited to hunting dogs. Pets have been killed as well.

In rural Skandia Township, 15 miles south of Marquette, a woman let her small dog out to play in her front yard.

She then watched helplessly from her kitchen window as a gray wolf savagely attacked it and carried it off.

Under new legislation by Sen. Michael Prusi, D-Ishpeming, and Sen. Rob Jelinek, R-Three Oaks, anyone witnessing a wolf attack, like the one in Skandia, would be able to trap, kill or remove the killer gray wolf to save the life of their dog or livestock.

"Had she grabbed her shot gun and shot the wolf, she would have

been in violation of the law," Prusi said of the Skandia woman. "We need to give her and other citizens the opportunity to protect their pets from gray wolf attacks."

Prusi said the wolf population has proliferated rapidly since their failed reintroduction in 1974.

In 1975, wolves began migrating to the Upper Peninsula on their own from Minnesota and Wisconsin.

An estimated 509 gray wolves roam the U.P. The average adult is 30 inches tall at the shoulder and weighs 65 pounds.

The gray wolf is the only known wolf species in Michigan that hunts in packs, but there has been recent research that indicates the presence of eastern wolves in Michigan. It's complicated for the Department of Natural Resources to say for sure how many eastern wolves there are due to interbreeding with gray wolves and the many similarities between the species.

The wolves eat mainly deer, beaver and snowshoe hare and sometimes nuts, berries, coyotes and grass.

"These wolves are becoming less and less afraid of human contact. They are walking through people's yards in neighborhoods, and we need to be able to give citizens the mechanics needed to ensure public safety," Prusi said.

Mary Dettlof, public information officer for the DNR, said DNR workers shoot and kill wolves to control ones that become too aggressive and pose a danger to humans.

Dettlof said that the DNR is looking at ways to help manage the wolf population, including a draft wolf management plan that allowed citizens to make suggestions and raise concerns about overly aggressive wolves.

The plan said 75 percent of the people surveyed support lethal management of wolves.

Between 1996 and 2006, there have been 35 documented wolf attacks on dogs. Forty-three percent of the attacks involved bear-hunting dogs.

In Michigan's history there is not a single documented wolf attack on a human.

Matt Pedigo, of Fenton, vice president of the Michigan Bear Hunters Association, said the group based in East Jordan supports the bills.

"Dogs are private property, and this bill would give people the right to protect their property. Killing the wolf doesn't necessarily hurt the recovery efforts of the wolf. It may actually help their recovery by making them more wary of humans," Pedigo said.

According to Pedigo, certain wolf packs have been known to habitually attack dogs.

Dennis Fijalkowski, executive director of the Michigan Wildlife Conservancy in Bath, said he supports legislation that would allow farmers to protect their livestock but has a harder time supporting legislation to protect dogs, especially hunting dogs.

"Wolves killing livestock affects the ability of farmers to make a living -- their existence depends on their sheep and cows. They should be able to use force to protect their livestock," Fijalkowski said.

He said the legislation is a safety valve to keep wolves in check and help their population growth by deterring them from becoming comfortable around humans.

"Hunting dogs are a different story," Fijalkowski said. "They are the same species as wolves and in the wolves' territory. It is natural instinct for a wolf to see a dog and want to run them out of their territory."

Fijalkowski said he understands why hunters want to protect their dogs. "They put a lot of time and money into training their dogs. I just want to make sure hunters won't be shooting wolves out of car windows for no reason."

Fijalkowski said Michigan's wolf population needs to be addressed especially because wolves are roaming the Lower Peninsula as far south as the Ohio and Indiana borders.

"What are we going to do when wolves are setting up packs in rural Oakland County? We can't have wolves living in the suburbs," he said.

According to Fijalkowski wolves have been present in the Lower Peninsula for the past 20 years but the DNR won't acknowledge them.

"They have their heads in the sand," he said. "I've been doing wolf programs all over lower Michigan and I've had numerous people come to me and tell me of wolf sightings."

For example, he said Amish farmers in Branch County reported three gray wolves.

"They are going to have to deal with the problem soon," Fijalkowski said.

The Michigan Farm Bureau also supports the concepts of the bill but would like to see stronger provision in the language of the bill.

Rebecca Park, associate legislative counsel for the Farm Bureau, said the organization takes issue with allowing force only when the wolf is attacking an animal.

"We would like to see some protection for livestock before the attack takes place, not while it's going on. We want to allow farmers the tools necessary to protect their livelihood," she said.

According to the DNR, only the department has the power to change the regulations regarding management of wolves. It got that authority when the wolves were taken off the threatened species list by the federal government.

Prusi, the Ishpeming senator, said changing the regulations will be something he and the DNR will hash out in committee.

Another problem facing the legislation is deciding necessary criteria to ensure the safety of wolves that don't threaten dogs and livestock.

"People who kill a wolf will need to contact the DNR and prove through some way that their animal was attacked," Prusi said.

The bill has bipartisan support. Similar legislation was introduced in the House and would give the public the same rights to trap, kill or remove gray wolves that attack dogs and livestock.

Prusi said, "It's a real issue for our constituents, and many of the people we represent have been affected by wolf attacks."

The gray wolf is currently listed as a state threatened species. The DNR is in the process of delisting the wolves.

The Senate bills are awaiting action in the Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee while the House bills are in the Agriculture Committee.

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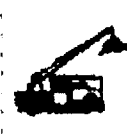


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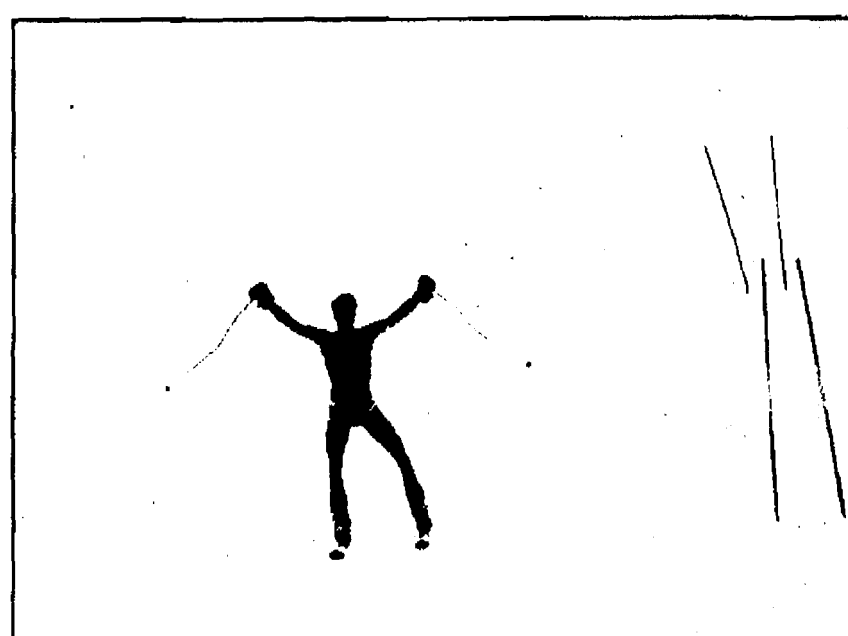
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# Revelers frolic in the snow during Winter Fun Days



Dozens of people made their way out to Hanson Hills for the annual Winter Fun Days, held earlier this month. Above, Becca and Zach Chenny stand next to their make shift sleds before they headed to the ski hill for the cardboard sled box race. Above right, Dan Bertalan grabbed first place in the Winter Fun Days Big Air competition. Below right, Nick Terry, a Hanson Hills ski instructor, braved the chilly temperatures as he made his way down the ski hill during the swimsuit slalom.



# More than 110 cross country skiers compete in sprints at Hanson Hills

A total of 115 cross country skiers competed in a Michigan Cup Marathon sprints event at Hanson Hills Recreation Area on Feb. 2.

Winners of the event included: Spencer Derenzy (boys division), Kayla Kennan (girls division),

Tracy Hardin (women's division), and David Maclean (men's division).

Other top 10 finishers in each division included: (boys) Matt Heimbürger, 2nd; Alan Jacobson, 3rd; Daniel Temkin, 4th; Shawn Kelly Roach, 5th;

Micah Norris, 6th; Joel Icard, 7th; Scott LaDante, 8th; Travis Roberts, 9th; (girls) Kaitlyn (last name unavailable), 2nd; Megan Egbert, 3rd; Anna Ward, 4th; Hannah Richard, 5th; Toria Kanaby, 6th; Katherine Harris, 7th; (women) Brenda Carlson, 2nd; Amy Todd, 3rd; Kellie Kirk, 4th; Fran Upton, 5th; Joann Cavaletto, 6th; Hilary Witbrodt, 7th; Christine Seager, 8th; Linda Allen, 9th; Cheryl Timm, 10th; (men) Andy Weddle, 2nd; Andrew Triebold, 3rd; Rodney Halstead, 4th; Denny Paul, 5th; John Gravin, 6th; Todd Vigland, 7th; Robert Smith, 8th; Glenn

Goodman, 9th; Dell Todd, 10th.

Complete results of the Michigan Cup Marathon sprints are available on the Hanson Hills Web site at [www.hansonhills.org](http://www.hansonhills.org).

Hanson Hills will host a Michigan Cup Marathon race, and the Hanson Hills Classic, this weekend. The Michigan Cup Marathon event, which includes a 30K race for men and a 15K race for women, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 16, at 10 a.m.

The Hanson Hills Classic - a 12K race for men and women - will start at 10 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 17.

## BRACES BASICS

A teenager experiences many rites of passage: pimples, a first crush, a first kiss, a driver's license, the prom and braces. The last ordeal is perhaps the most dreaded.

While braces may be something no teen looks forward to, millions of smiles are enhanced by the work of braces. The job of these dental appliances is to apply pressure to teeth, which makes them stay in a certain spot, creating straighter teeth and a beautiful smile.

The American Association of Orthodontics recommends that every child get a checkup with an orthodontist by age 7. Some orthodontic problems are easier to correct if detected sooner rather than later, and early treatment can prevent more severe problems later in life. Without treatment, teeth problems can lead to tooth decay, gum disease, bone destruction, chew problems and digestive difficulties. A bad bite can contribute to speech impediments, tooth loss, chipped teeth and other dental injuries.

The length of time for a teenager to wear braces varies, but most teens wear them for two years. The time frame depends on the health of the teeth, gums and bones, the severity of the problem, and how closely the patient follows instructions (such as wearing a headgear or a retainer).

Today's braces are different from those of yesteryear. Brackets, the part of the braces that holds the wire, come in traditional metal as well as clear or tooth color. Sometimes, brackets can even be put on the back of the teeth to completely minimize the appearance of braces. Wires are smaller and more advanced than in the past, straightening teeth even faster.

Because they have a mouth full of wires, braces wearers need to be on top of their dental health. It's important to brush after meals, remove anything lodged in braces and avoid foods that can get stuck in braces like popcorn, gum and hard candy.

True, it's hard to get excited about having wire, rubber bands and other gadgets in your mouth. Braces are definitely not as fun as the prom. But you'll know they were worth any amount of pain they might have caused when you see the end result — a beautiful smile. And that's something that will stick with you longer than that dried-up corsage.

## HONORS

**Northern Michigan University**

Northern Michigan University announces the Dean's List for the fall 2007 semester. The following students qualified with a grade point average of 3.25 to 3.99: Emily Henion, Wendy Paul and Ian Rothe, all of Frederic; Kyle Alexander,

Michael Hoag and Kimberly Ruley, all of Grayling.

**Madonna University**

Sally Teed-Pomeroy, Carrie Rasmussen and Jodi Denno, all of Grayling, were recently named to the Dean's List for superior academic achievement during the Fall 2007 term at Madonna University.

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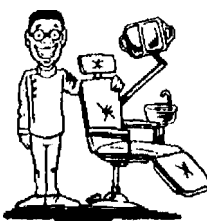
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## Tourism official attends State of the State address



The Grayling Visitors Bureau's Executive Director Ilene Geiss-Wilson recently attended Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's State of the State Address with 103rd District Representative Joel Sheltrown (D-West Branch). Sheltrown is the chairman of the Michigan House of Representative's Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources Committee. He works closely with the Grayling Visitors Bureau on several issues that pertain to the Grayling area. Wilson was also Sheltrown's guest at the Speaker of the House reception prior to the event. Above, Sheltrown and Geiss-Wilson visit on the House floor before the State of the State speech.

## 911 surcharge rings up complaints

by Harry Gillen  
Capital News Service

County and state organizations are working to extend a new law allowing counties to assess surcharges on all communication devices capable of making 911 emergency calls.

The law, signed on Dec. 20, could raise almost 50 percent more money a year in 911 funding for counties.

An 80-cent monthly surcharge on cell phones in Grand Traverse County, for instance, will raise an estimated \$250,000 a year, said Grand Traverse County dispatch director Jamel Anderson.

Previously, only landlines were subject to the surcharge.

"The law is the first step towards stable long-term funding for 911," said Anderson.

The law also requires counties to submit their estimated annual revenue from the surcharge to the Public Service Commission by Feb. 15. It will then approve or reject all submissions by March 17.

But the short deadline, or sunset, doesn't give counties enough time to accurately estimate future revenue, said James Fyvie, president of the Michigan Communication Directors Association.

"We are unable to provide our citizens a long-term funding solution for a critical public safety department with this short sunset," Fyvie said. "It is very troublesome to counties and the 911 directors."

Ben Bodkin, legislative coordinator for the Michigan Association of Counties, worked on developing the system and said the deadline should be extended.

"We're urging lawmakers to extend that sunset," said Bodkin.

"It will have to happen sometime in the next year. If it doesn't, we won't be able to fund 911 services because we won't have authorization."

"It's a pretty good bill with reasonable safeguards," Bodkin said. "We just need to get the sunset extended, that's what

we're after here."

Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, chair of the Energy Policy and Public Utilities Committee, said the legislation will almost certainly be revisited.

"The situation that we found ourselves in was that the House was holding these bills captive last year, so we had to negotiate a much shorter sunset than we wanted."

The law requires that all surcharges be submitted to the commission be no higher than 2.7 percent of the prior year's revenue. The surcharges will go into effect July 1.

Some counties, such as Monroe and Van Buren, alarmed legislators with surcharges that led to considerably higher taxes, which wasn't what the legislation

intended, said Scott Stevenson, president of the Telecommunications Association of Michigan.

"We would not have supported the legislation had we known that it would result in an increase in taxes," Stevenson said. "Some counties are asking for surcharges at a level that would produce significantly more tax dollars than they got last year, and that's not what legislators were told would happen."

What counties do with their own money, however, should be left to the counties, Fyvie said.

"We don't feel that counties are raising fees inappropriately," Fyvie said. "Some counties may be increasing their surcharge, but they're decreasing things like property tax, so the cost is still revenue neutral."

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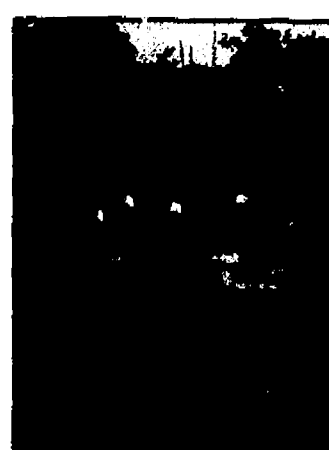
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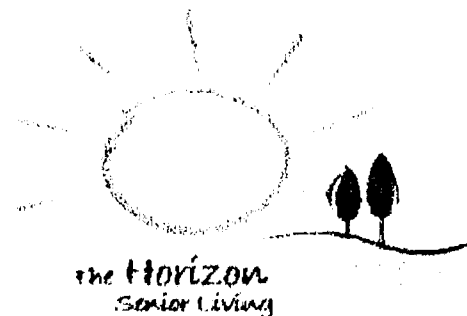
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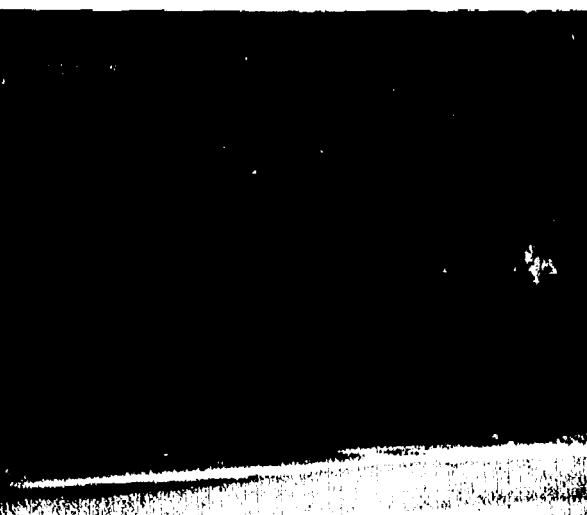
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by Eric Freedman  
Capital News Service

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But many unsophisticated coin investors and collectors don't understand that, according to a Macomb County lawmaker.

Rep. Steve Bieda, D-Warren, wants to extend Michigan's consumer protection law to companies and foreign governments that advertise coins as "legal tender" when those items aren't U.S. coins currently in circulation.

"If something is called a 'coin,' it has face value or denomination, and there's the assumption you can use it as money in the country of origin or redeem it at the exchange rate," Bieda said.

"Sometimes you can't use them as money even in the entity that produced them," he said.

Bieda's new proposal would require mints, issuers or foreign governments that advertise in Michigan to "clearly and conspicuously disclose" that such coins "cannot be exchanged or redeemed at face value for U.S. currency in the United States." That requirement wouldn't apply to advertising by coin dealers in the state.

Non-collectors and casual collectors are the most common purchasers, often enticed by the prospect of profit.

Lansing coin dealer Patrick Heller said people are disappoint-

ed when they come to his store to sell such items.

"In most instances, enough time has passed that they feel like, well, 'we didn't make such a sensible purchase but there's nothing we can do about it now,'" said Heller, president of Liberty Coin Service.

Wendell Wolka, a member of the American Numismatic Association board of governors, said the only way a coin will increase in worth is if the value of its metal rises or if it has collector value. His organization represents collectors and dealers.

"People should collect them because they like them, not because they expect to make a fortune," said Wolka, of Greenwood, Ind.

As an example of what he labels a "scam," Bieda cites the Marshall Islands, a now-independent former U.S. trust territory in the North Pacific Ocean with about 62,000 residents.

Its commemorative issues include \$10 coins honoring the "heroes of D-Day," "heroes of the Philippines" and "heroes of Desert Storm" and \$5 coins commemorating the space shuttle Discovery.

Bieda, a collector himself, said, "I've had a couple of pieces" from the Marshall Islands, adding, "Sometimes you like the design, but I recognize them for what they are."

Heller added, "The Marshall Island coins aren't even legal tender in the Marshall Islands."

Heller said another "violation" is the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, a U.S.

trust territory in the Pacific that uses U.S. currency. "It's technically part of the U.S. and doesn't have the authority to sponsor such an issue."

Among its coins are ones honoring scientist Albert Einstein, Pope Paul II and "endless love."

In 2004, a New York judge ordered an end to deceptive advertising for its so-called "Freedom Dollar" that carried the image of the former World Trade Center, the slogan "We Will Never Forget" and the coat of arms of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The private company that minted and marketed the coins, with authorization from the Northern Mariana Islands government, was assessed almost \$370,000 in civil penalties in 2005 and refunded more than \$2 million to defrauded consumers.

The advertising, telemarketing and sale of coins and similar items to collectors and investors periodically provoke complaints about deceptive business practices and fraud.

For example, last year the Federal Trade Commission investigated complaints that a national mail order firm failed to adequately disclose its practice of sending coins on approval to customers. The FTC took no formal action after the company revised its advertisements and other business practices.

Other cases have led to criminal convictions and partial restitution to cheated collectors.

Bieda's bill is awaiting action in the House Judiciary Committee.

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## March Madness 2008

GHS to play round one game vs. Elks on Monday

■ Grayling to host this year's District 63-B tournament for girls basketball

It's not quite March yet, but the playoffs for Michigan high school boys and girls basketball teams are about to start, beginning with the district tournaments for girls basketball next week.

With the season change for girls basketball this year – the sport moved from fall to winter in 2007-2008 due to a court ruling against the Michigan High School Athletic Association in a gender equity lawsuit – Michigan's high school girls basketball teams will join "March Madness" for the first time. ("March Madness" refers to the furor surrounding high school and college basketball playoffs throughout the nation. Playoff tournaments – including the National Collegiate Athletic Association's 64-team division one tournaments that determine national champions in men's and women's college basketball – usually begin in March.)

Locally, Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball squad will begin its 2008 playoff schedule with a round one District 63-B tournament game vs. the Elk Rapids Elks on Monday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. Grayling High School is hosting both the boys and girls District 63-B tournaments this year.

The Vikings (2-15) have already faced the Elks (7-8) twice this season. Both teams play in the Lake Michigan Conference. Elk Rapids won both contests by small margins. In the first meeting between the two squads, the Elks won by six points, 44-38, at Elk Rapids on

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### GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL'S VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM



**Laura BOYLAN**  
6'4" Junior  
Center



**Sam SCHREIBER**  
5'5" Junior  
Guard



**Annie MELROY**  
5'3" Senior  
Guard



**Ashley FELDHAUSER**  
5'8" Sophomore  
Forward



**Rachel DOREMIRE**  
5'5" Senior  
Forward



**Tiffany DAVIS**  
5'6" Senior  
Forward



**Jessie BAKER**  
5'6" Senior  
Forward



**Alyssa LEWIS**  
5'5" Junior  
Forward



**Jessica BINDSCHATEL**  
5'7" Junior  
Guard



**Liz DANDY**  
5'7" Junior  
Forward



**Naomi ANGLEMYER**  
5'3" Junior  
Forward



**Mackenzie HARWOOD**  
Sophomore  
Guard



**Abbey THOMAS**  
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Center



**Cassie CARTER**  
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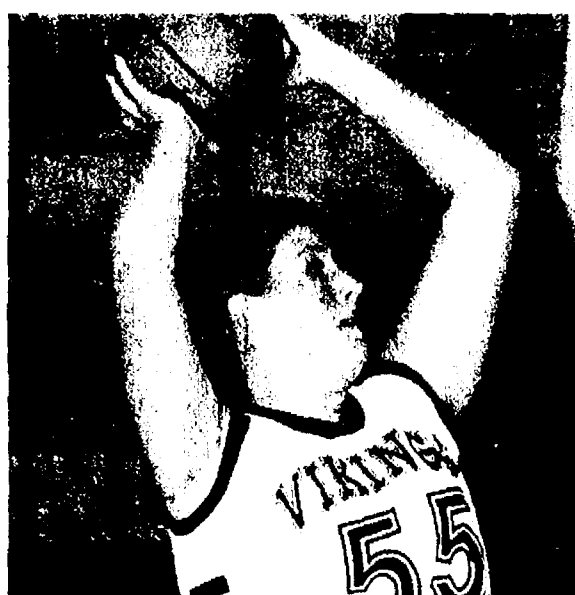


**Laura Boylan**  
#55  
Junior  
Center



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
238	164	16	13	73



**Sam Schreiber**  
#11  
Junior  
Guard



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
92	51	16	37	7



**Annie Melroy**  
#21  
Senior  
Guard



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
65	34	18	15	8

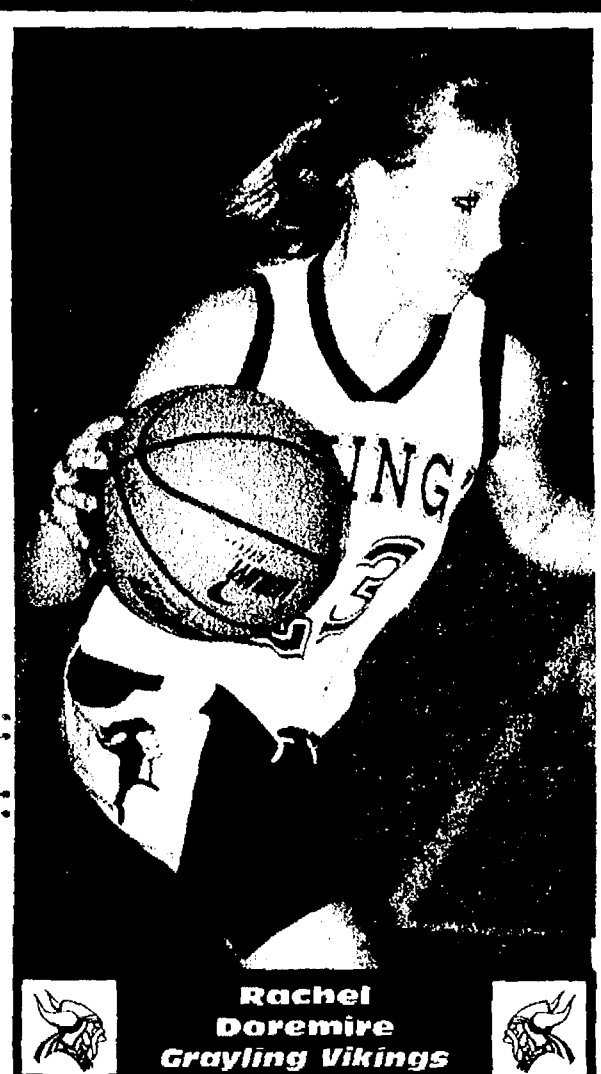


**Ashley Feldhauser**  
#12  
Sophomore  
Forward



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

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50	50	5	11	11

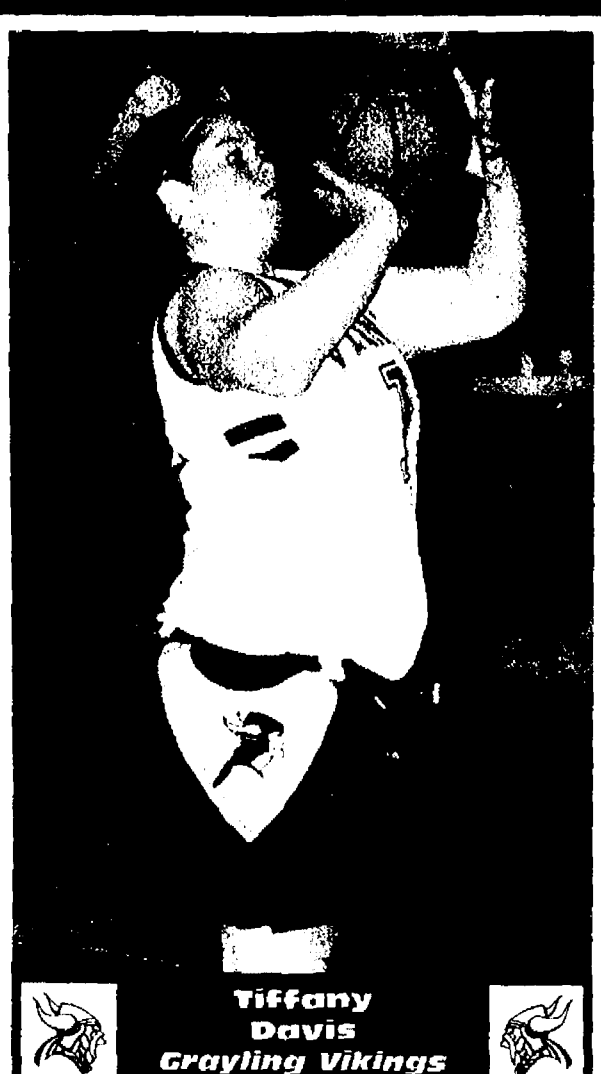


**Rachel Doremire**  
#23  
Senior  
Forward



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
40	48	10	13	4



**Tiffany Davis**  
#13  
Senior  
Forward



**2007-2008 Season Statistics**

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
36	68	4	19	5



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#22  
Senior  
Forward



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Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
37	43	9	7	12



**Jessie Baker**  
Grayling Vikings



**Alyssa Lewis**  
#10  
Junior  
Forward



#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
14	46	4	27	1



**Alyssa Lewis**  
Grayling Vikings



**Jessica Bindschatel**  
#20  
Junior  
Guard

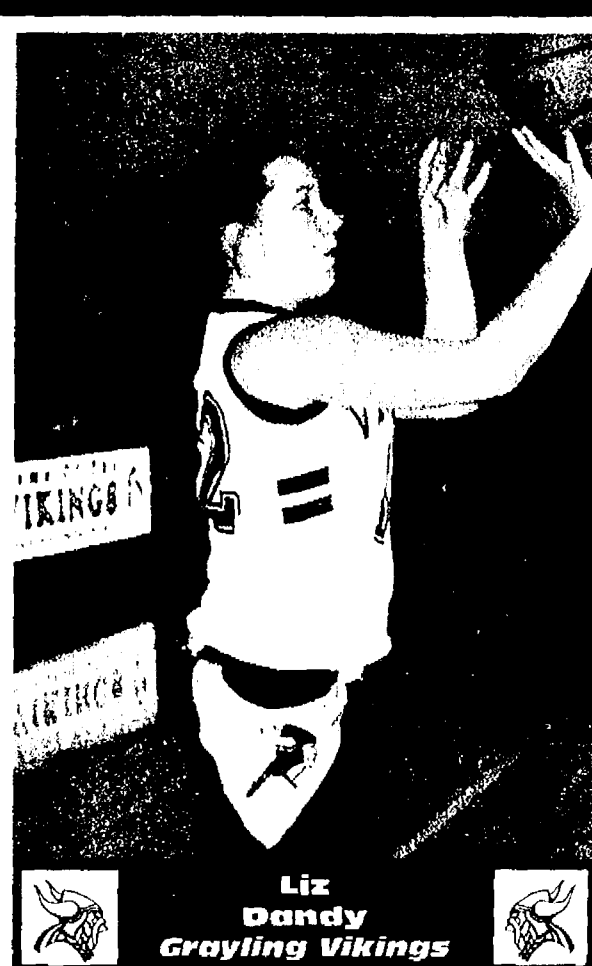


#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
28	16	7	12	4



**Jessica Bindschatel**  
Grayling Vikings



**Liz Dandy**  
#32  
Junior  
Forward

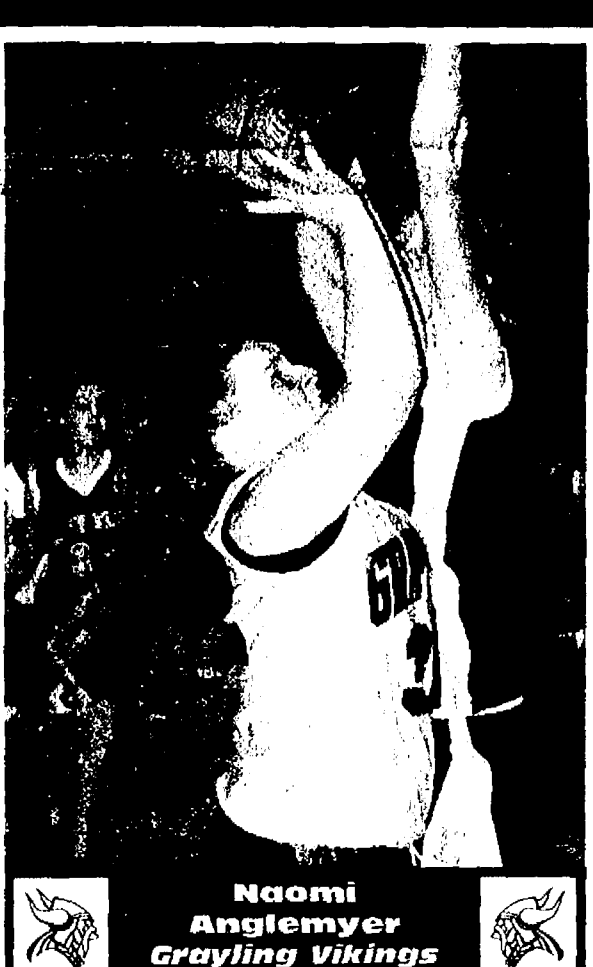


#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
8	15	1	0	1



**Liz Dandy**  
Grayling Vikings



**Naomi Anglemeyer**  
#33  
Junior  
Forward



#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



**Naomi Anglemeyer**  
Grayling Vikings



**Mackenzie Harwood**  
#20  
Sophomore  
Guard



#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



**Mackenzie Harwood**  
Grayling Vikings



**Abbey Thomas**  
#30  
Freshman  
Center



#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
7	8	1	2	1



**Abbey Thomas**  
Grayling Vikings



**Cassie Carter**  
#31  
Freshman  
Forward



#### 2007-2008 Season Statistics

Points	Rebs	Assists	Steals	Blocks
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**Cassie Carter**  
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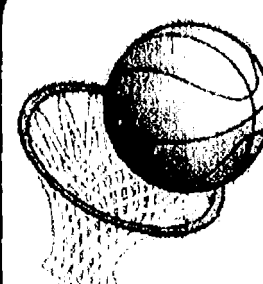
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**Workforce Development Training Calendar**  
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	Feb. 18	M-TEC Gaylord
	May 5	West Branch
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	Feb. 6	West Branch
	Feb. 20	M-TEC Gaylord
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	Feb. 8	West Branch
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	May 23	M-TEC Gaylord
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	Oct. 15	West Branch
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	March 3	West Branch
MS Excel - Level 3 \$72 each level	March 24	M-TEC Gaylord
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	March 5	West Branch
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	Feb. 19	West Branch
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	March 18	West Branch
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	April 22	West Branch
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## JV team wins third straight with 58-52 victory vs. Harrison

■ Grayling defeats East Jordan 64-63 on Wednesday, Elk Rapids 55-38 on Friday

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball squad improved its season record to 9-8 and its home record to 7-1 with three victories last week.

The Vikings edged the East Jordan Red Devils 64-63 on Wednesday night.

Grayling trailed by 10 at half-time, 33-23, but rallied in the third period.

The Vikings cut East Jordan's lead to one point with a three-point play by Tyler Hanson at the third quarter's 3:14 mark. A three-pointer by Wesley Willoughby gave GHS a two-point lead. The Red Devils scored to tie the contest at 41-41. A put-back by Hanson gave GHS a two-point edge. Two baskets by East Jordan gave the Red Devils a two-point lead. A drive by Colin Hamlin tied the score at 45-45. East Jordan led 47-46 going into the fourth period.

East Jordan scored, Grayling answered with an inside shot by Hanson, and the Red Devils scored on a put-back. A three-pointer by Joe Tottingham tied the score at 51-51 with 6:21 left in the game.

At the 2:36 mark, Hamlin converted two free throws to tie the contest at 60-60. A put-back by East Jordan gave the Red Devils a two-point lead. A lay-up by Hamlin tied the game at 62-62 at the 1:05 mark. Hamlin forced a tie-up and the possession arrow favored Grayling. Hamlin hit a jump shot to give the Vikings a 64-62 lead with 51 seconds left in regulation.

regulation.

East Jordan failed to score in its next two possessions, but the Vikings missed four free throw attempts on two trips to the line. With 20 seconds remaining, East Jordan hit one of two shots at the free-throw line to pull within one, 64-63. The Red Devils fouled and Grayling missed both free throws. A tie-up on a loose ball resulted in possession for East Jordan with 12 seconds left in the game.

East Jordan missed a shot and the ball went out of bounds, giving GHS possession with five seconds left in regulation. Grayling turned the ball over on the in-bounds play, giving East Jordan possession with two seconds left. Jordan Small stole the in-bounds pass, and the game ended. Grayling won by one point, 64-63.

"We got off to a slow start, but played an outstanding second half. Defensively, we really picked it up in the second half," Coach Chris Kucharek said.

Leading scorers for Grayling included: Hamlin, 20 points; Tottingham, 15 points; Hanson, 10 points; Willoughby, 5 points; Josh Johnson, 4 points; Small, 4 points.

The Vikings won 55-38 at Elk Rapids on Friday night.

Leading scorers for GHS: Tottingham, 14 points; Hamlin, 11 points; Small, 11 points; Johnson, 7 points; Hanson, 5 points; Taylor Desenfants, 4 points.

"We shot 20 for 32 from the free-throw line, while they were only 7 for 17 from the free-throw line," Coach Kucharek said. "This was a tough, hard-fought

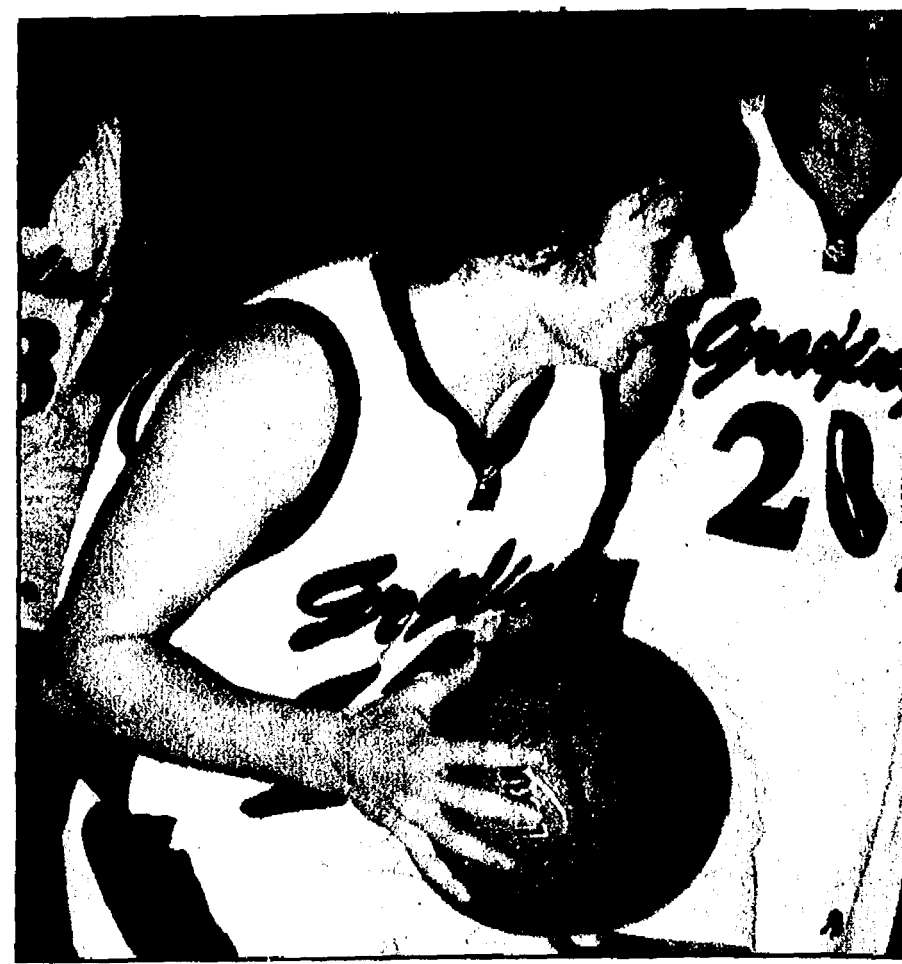


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**Tyler Hanson handles the ball for the Vikings during Wednesday's game against East Jordan.**

game. Points were hard to come by because the game was so physical, but in the end the team kept their composure and found a way to score. We continued to take the ball to the hole. As a result we made more free throws than Elk Rapids attempted."

In a make-up game vs. Harrison on Saturday, the Vikings improved to 7-1 in home games this year with a 58-52 victory vs. the visiting Hornets.

Leading scorers for the Vikings: Hamlin, 23 points; Small, 10 points; Hanson, 10 points, 6 steals.

"We did not play with a lot of intensity until late in the second half. Tyler Hanson was a defen-

sive spark for us, stealing the ball six times and causing a lot of Harrison turnovers. Colin Hamlin was clutch from the free-throw line, hitting 9 of 10. We were 13 for 18 from the free-throw line, while Harrison only made 12 for 35," Coach Kucharek said.

"This was a big week for our team. We are on a three-game winning streak and have improved our record to 9-8 with three games left. We also have an outstanding home record, winning seven of eight games at home," Coach Kucharek said.

The JV team (9-8) will host the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators on Friday, Feb. 15, at 6 p.m.

## JV girls team defeats Hornets 42-15

■ Vikings win home game vs. Harrison, fall to Harbor Springs and Kalkaska

The Grayling Vikings defeated the Harrison Hornets 42-15 in

Saturday's junior varsity girls basketball contest at Grayling High School.

Kirstie Wakeley had 20 points, 10 rebounds, and 2 steals for GHS. Mackenzie Harwood had 12 points, 9 rebounds, and 6 steals. Katie Lange had 4 points. Lindsey Argue, Teresa Schreiber, and Hali Miller each had 2 points. Miller had 10 rebounds.

"The team played a very good game on both sides of the floor and our consistency was there. They did a nice job of not underestimating their opponent. Harrison only had five players and they did a great job of playing hard all night. We have been in that position and I know how hard it is for the girls, but they played hard no matter what the score," Coach Craig Hofman said. "We came out and dominated in the first quarter, 16-2. That is what a good basketball team does when their opponent is lacking players. (The) halftime score was 24-6. Kirstie Wakeley had a very good offensive and defensive game. Freshman Hali Miller is helping us with her size and added 10 rebounds to an impressive all-around game. Mackenzie (Harwood) had a strong offensive and defensive night, and will be a great addition to the varsity team next year with her quickness and aggressiveness. Katie Lange and Iva Haven also played a lot of minutes and played really strong defensive games."

On Thursday, the Vikings fell to Kalkaska 48-35 at GHS. Grayling trailed by four at half-time, 16-12, but the Blazers pulled away in the second half to win by 13 points.

Leading scorers for the Vikings included: Schreiber, 8 points, 7 steals; Naomi Anglemeyer, 8 points, 7 rebounds; Wakeley, 5 points, 8 rebounds; Haley Wiseman, 4 points, 5 rebounds; Lange, 4 points; Harwood, 2 points; Argue, 2 points; Miller, 2 points.

"The team played well in the first two quarters. We played good defense, rebounded well, hustled, but we were only 6 for 12 from the free-throw line, and continued to struggle putting the ball in the basket. In the last minute of the second quarter, Kalkaska hit a three-pointer and two free throws



Photo by Caleb Casey

**Teresa Schreiber dribbles the ball for Grayling during last Thursday's contest vs. Kalkaska.**

to take a lead into halftime, 16-12. We did not score a field goal in the second quarter - only free throws. We need to take advantage of a team that does not play strong defense and fouls," Coach Hofman said.

"We came out flat in the third quarter and gave up three baskets. After a time-out, the girls responded and played much better the rest of the night, but we just seemed to not be able to break through and close the gap. We again struggled in the second half with free throws. We were 2 of 4 in the third quarter, but only 5 of 14 in the fourth. To their credit, Kalkaska hit 10 of 13 in the fourth, which helped keep us from making a comeback. Our pressure was working and we started scoring some points, but Kalkaska was able to hold us off by continually hitting free throws. Again, consistency was our issue. Inconsistent offense, press break, and free throw shooting was our downfall. The girls showed a lot of heart and spirit in the game. We played a much better game against Kalkaska than we did before, but Kalkaska also was much better on the offensive end than they were last time. They improved their outside shooting and hit some big shots to keep

their lead," Coach Hofman said.

The JV Vikings lost 56-26 at Harbor Springs on Tuesday.

Scoring leaders for GHS: Schreiber, 9 points; Wakeley, 7; Anglemeyer, 5 points.

"We started out strong, scoring on our first three offensive plays, but after that we struggled the rest of the night. The ball just would not go in the basket. We struggled defensively, but had all kinds of opportunities to score. We could not hit inside or outside shots. Consistency was lacking on our shooting. Harbor Springs runs a very good half court offense. We tried to disrupt it, (but) our lack of intensity did not allow us to press effectively, and they were able to set up their offensive sets. Teresa Schreiber played a nice game at point guard, looking to pass and attacking the basket. We also did a nice job cutting down on turnovers, but I felt we were out-hustled and did not fight as hard as we usually do. It was also nice to have Katie Lange back to help support our guard play. Kirstie Wakeley did a nice job rebounding with Naomi Anglemeyer," Coach Hofman said.

The JV squad (3-15) hosted Traverse City St. Francis on Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the team's 2007-2008 season finale.



## Varsity squad defeats Harrison, Elk Rapids

■ Vikings win 44-42 at Elk Rapids on Friday, 78-66 vs. Hornets on Saturday

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team played three games last week - including home games vs. East Jordan and Harrison on Wednesday and Saturday, and an away game at Elk Rapids on Friday - and won two of them.

On Saturday night, the Vikings defeated the visiting Harrison Hornets by a final score of 78-66 in a make-up game. The contest, which was postponed on Jan. 30, capped a four-game basketball series in which Grayling's varsity girls, JV boys, and JV girls teams also won vs. Harrison.

In the varsity boys basketball contest, GHS led 17-11 after one quarter. The Vikings had a 13-point lead at halftime, 40-27. Grayling led 59-45 going into the fourth quarter, and the Vikings won by 12 points.

Twelve Grayling players scored points in the contest: Josh Stapleton, 23 points, 5 steals, 3 assists; Richard Schreiber, 14 points, 4 assists, 3 steals; Trent Larm, 9 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals; Spencer Dean, 8 points, 12 rebounds; Alex Gabriel, 7 points, 4 rebounds; Eric Ferrigan, 4 points, 2 steals, 1 block; Rocky McNamara, 4 points, 7 rebounds; Jason Drudge, 2 points, 5 assists, 3 steals; Doug Gothro, 2 points; Matt McDonald, 2 points; Tyler Steffey, 2 points; Jacob Aubry, 1 point.

"We got a number of solid contributions throughout the game. Our kids did a nice job at the beginning of the fourth quarter to get us a lead of 20 points. It was a good win, and we got a number of kids some playing experience," Coach Rich Moffit said.

On Friday night, the Vikings edged Elk Rapids 44-42.

"We played pretty solid

defense throughout the game. I was pleased with our ball pressure, and our defensive rotations were pretty good for the most part," Coach Moffit said. "Josh Stapleton hit a three-point play on a drive with 1:21 left to give us the lead, 42-41, and then hit two free throws during crunch time."

Stapleton finished the game with 15 points and 3 steals. Larm had 11 points. Dean had 5 points, 13 rebounds, and 3 steals. Schreiber had 4 points and 4 assists.

The contest was played at Elk Rapids.

On Wednesday, Feb. 6, the Vikings lost a home game vs. the East Jordan Red Devils, 73-67.

Grayling led 20-14 after one quarter. The Vikings had a 32-27 advantage at halftime. GHS took a 49-46 lead into the fourth period.

East Jordan scored seven unanswered points to take a 53-49 lead early in the fourth quarter. The Red Devils hit two three-point buckets and an inside shot to extend their lead to 61-52. The Vikings pulled within four with a free throw by Steffey, an inside shot by Steffey, and two free throws by Schreiber.

Dean stole the ball on an in-bounds play by East Jordan, and the Red Devils fouled. Dean hit both free throw shots, cutting East Jordan's lead to two, 61-59, with 1:18 remaining in the game. Two free throws by East Jordan gave the Red Devils a four-point lead at the 1:17 mark. East Jordan stole the ball and then gave it back with a turnover. One free throw by Larm cut East Jordan's lead to three.

The Red Devils converted two free throws at the 52-second mark to lead 65-60. East Jordan scored a three-point play to increase its lead to eight points.

A three-pointer by Stapleton cut East Jordan's lead back to

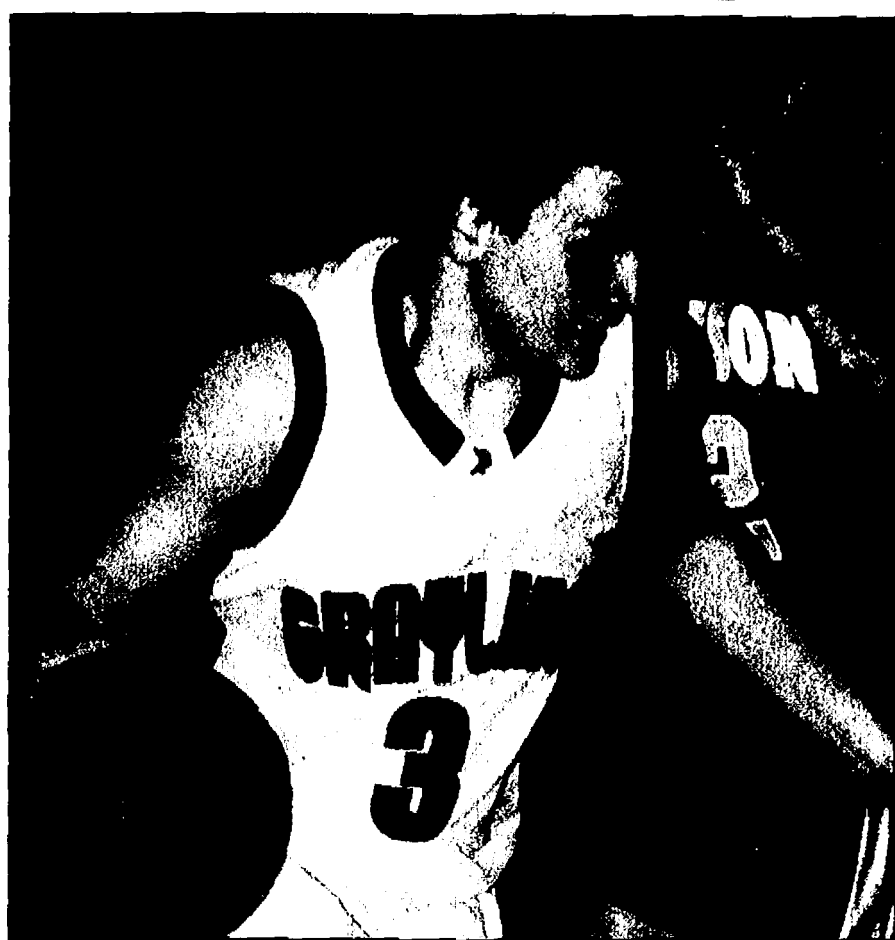


Photo by Caleb Casey

Alex Gabriel handles the ball for GHS during Saturday's home game against Harrison.

five with 26 seconds left in the fourth period. Stapleton stole the ball and scored a lay-up to pull GHS within three. Grayling fouled and East Jordan converted one of two free throw attempts. McNamara hit a jump shot for Grayling with three seconds left, cutting East Jordan advantage to two points, 69-67.

The Red Devils threw a deep pass on the in-bounds play and Grayling fouled. East Jordan made both free throw shots to lead by four with 1.9 seconds left on the clock. The Vikings called time-out, but had no time-outs remaining, which resulted in an automatic technical foul call. East Jordan converted both free throw shots and killed the final second to win 73-67.

"Our kids played very well during the start of the fourth quarter, when we extended our lead to 52-43. Turnovers killed us from that point on. We had nine turnovers in the last quarter,

which directly resulted in 15 East Jordan points. Turnovers during pressure situations have been our Achilles heel this year," Coach Moffit said. "Josh Stapleton and Trent Larm were solid again. Spencer Dean, Tyler Steffey, and Rocky McNamara played well in spurts."

Leading scorers for GHS included: Larm, 17 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals; Stapleton, 11 points, 5 assists, 3 steals; Dean, 10 points, 4 rebounds; McNamara, 9 points, 4 rebounds.

The Vikings (6-12) will host Traverse City St. Francis on Friday, Feb. 15.

Presale tickets for the squad's round one District 63-B game vs. Roscommon on Monday, Feb. 25, will be available at the GHS office on Monday, Feb. 18. The game will be held at Grayling High School. Tickets are \$5 each, and season passes do not include access to district tournament games.

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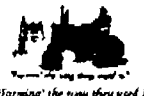
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## BOWLING LEAGUE

### Recreation League

American Legion ..... 25 - 11  
Woody Girls ..... 22.5 - 13.5  
Robin L. Smith CPA. 19.5 - 16.5  
Days Inn ..... 19 - 17  
Grayling Nurs.Center. 18 - 18  
GMH-NCC ..... 17 - 19  
T & T Fishing ..... 12 - 24  
Glen's Market ..... 11 - 25  
High Series: V. Balmes, 527; B. Wheeler, 522; R. Collen, 486.  
High Game: V. Balmes, 213; B. Wheeler, 189; R. Collen, 187.

### American Men's League

Derwich Ind ..... 39 - 10  
McLean's Ace ..... 36 - 13  
Moore's Auto ..... 32 - 17  
Dragon Repair ..... 26 - 23  
GADCO ..... 20 - 29  
Otsego Lake Service ..... 18 - 31  
Fenton's Auto Serv. .... 18 - 31  
West Side Diner ..... 7 - 42  
High Series: Lance Davis, 730; D. Canfield, 620; M. Forbes, 615. High Game: Lance Davis, 258; D. Canfield, 234; M. Forbes, 231.

### Pioneer League

Grayling Rest ..... 16 - 4  
Eagles Nest Sports ..... 13 - 7  
"S" B's ..... 10 - 10  
Spicy Bob's ..... 10 - 10  
McDonald's ..... 9 - 11  
Johnson Const ..... 9 - 11  
T.C. Lawncare ..... 8 - 12  
Tim's Collision ..... 5 - 15  
High Series: T. Rock, 554; C. Wyatt, 536; J. Coors, 527. High Game: J. Coors, 216; C. Wyatt, 212; K. Kroell, 206.

### Thursday Morning Coffee

K.I.P. .... 10 - 6  
Ladybugs ..... 10 - 6  
Casino Bums ..... 9 - 7

Chatty Three ..... 9 - 7  
Goofballs ..... 8 - 8  
R.E.M. .... 7 - 9  
Snow Tops ..... 6 - 10  
Bill's Harem ..... 5 - 11  
High Series Men: K. Harris, 552; B. Hollis, 538; M. Brown, 504.  
High Game Men: B. Hollis, 233; K. Harris, 215; M. Brown, 201.

High Series Women: C. Clark, 539; N. Glasslee, 483; B. Wotring, 432. High Game Women: C. Clark, 187; N. Glasslee, 184; B. Wotring, 164.

### Friday Mixed Doubles

Last Call ..... 41 - 15  
Great Lakes Roofing ..... 32 - 24  
Bucket Brigade ..... 31 - 25  
L & L Hauling ..... 29 - 27  
Miller Spillers ..... 26 - 30  
MMR ..... 26 - 30  
Forget About It ..... 24 - 32

American Legion ..... 15 - 41  
High Series Men: J. Lehman, 647; D. Canfield, 603; P. Benardo, 581. High Game Men: D. Williamson, 238; D. Canfield and J. Lehman, 236. High Series Women: J. Williamson, 551; M. Moshier, 509; P. Younglove, 504.

High Game Women: J. Williamson, 224; P. Younglove, 191.

### Grayling Youth Peewees

Strikers ..... 5 - 1  
Legion Legends ..... 4 - 2  
Team 4 ..... 4 - 2  
Fearsome Foursome ..... 3 - 3  
Soldier Girls ..... 3 - 3  
Team 8 ..... 3 - 3  
Sparky ..... 2 - 4  
The B'E's ..... 0 - 6  
High Series Boys: D. Johnston, 177; L. Cotton, 168; C. Beard,

165. High Game Boys: D. Johnston, 91; L. Cotton, 87; C. Beard, 68. High Series Girls: E. Umlor, 222; C. Bonamie, 194; A. Langkowski, 190. High Game Girls: E. Umlor, 121; C. Bonamie, 120; S. Devriendt, 110.

### Senior Bowling

Kicking Grass ..... 14 - 6  
Flowers By Josie ..... 13 - 7  
Gaylord Electric ..... 12 - 8  
Grayling Pharmacy ..... 11 - 9  
Sylvester's Sports ..... 11 - 9  
Spike's ..... 8 - 12  
Bear's Den Pizza ..... 6 - 14  
Lone Pine ..... 5 - 15  
High Series Men: L. Crampton, 562; P. Faustman, 520; B. Holton, 517. High Game Men: L. Crampton, 234; P. Faustman and B. Hollis, 190. High Series Women: C. Clark, 531; K. Wyatt, 530; M. Rysso, 493. High Game Women: C. Clark, 202; K. Wyatt, 200; N. Glasslee, 175.

### Sunday Mixed Doubles

Spike's #1 ..... 28 - 14  
Grayling Rest. #2 ..... 27 - 15  
Spike's #2 ..... 26 - 16  
Extreme Muffins ..... 22 - 20  
Bi-Polar Bowlers ..... 18 - 24  
Four Amigos ..... 18 - 24  
Gray Rock Cafe ..... 16 - 26  
Farm Bureau ..... 13 - 29  
High Series Men: B. Harris, 587; R. Strohpaul, 503; M. Forbes, 499. High Game Men: B. Harris, 223; M. Cottrell, 187. High Series Women: E. Slater, 519; T. Hellebuyck, 485; J. Palmer, 475. High Game Women: E. Slater, 201; T. Hellebuyck, 175.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

### League Standings

AuSable Eye Care ..... 6-1  
A-Tech ..... 3-4  
Mercy/S. McNamara ..... 3-4  
Spikes ..... 2-5  
AuSable Eye Care - 70; Fritz,

16; Wilson, 14; Swope, 8; Madill, 8; Powers, 6; Hamlin, 6; Mertes, 5; Roach, 5; Dean 2.

Mercy - 30; Davis, 10; Gojzjnj, 8; Patterson, 7; Bednarik, 2; Schultz, 1.

Spikes: Dustin, 26; Hinkle, 11; Doe, 7; Jung, 5; Metzger, 3; Thompson, 2; Juntilla, 2.

A-Tech: Stauffer, 14; Nielson, 12; Akin, 12; Gregg, 6; Brown, 2; Sharp, 2.

## POOL LEAGUE

### Women's Standings

Frederic Inn ..... 147  
Two Track ..... 140  
Legion ..... 110

Growler's Pub ..... 96  
Sawmill ..... 91  
Ramada Inn ..... 63  
5 Ball Runs: Siss (Frederic Inn),

Melanie (Ramada Inn), Bev (Growlers); 7 Ball Run: Siss (Frederic Inn); Won all games: Marie and Jo (Two Track).

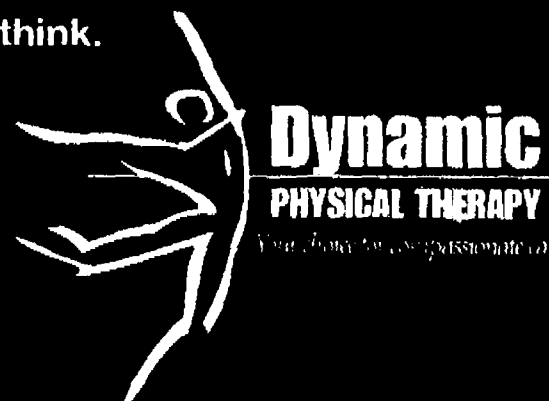
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## LEGAL ACTION

### STATE OF MICHIGAN CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY DIVISION

TAMMY PETERSON, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
BRAD PETERSON, Defendant.

Case No. 07-7482-DO  
Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

MARGARETA A. COTANT PLC.  
By: MARGARETA A. COTANT P46911  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
213 East Main, P.O. Box 1595  
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(989) 732-2630

#### NOTICE OF ACTION

An action for divorce has been commenced by Plaintiff, Tammy Peterson, against Defendant, Brad Peterson, in the Crawford County Circuit Court for the State of Michigan. Defendant must answer or take other action permitted by law within 28 days after the last date of publication. If Defendant does not answer or take other action within the time allowed, judgement may be entered against him for the relief demanded in the complaint.

MARGARETA A. COTANT PLC.  
By: MARGARETA A. COTANT P46911  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
-31-7-14

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert Floyd Boardman and Susan Arlene Boardman, Husband and Wife to H & R Block Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 20, 2005 and recorded December 27, 2005 in Liber 679 Page 144 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned thru mesne assignments to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for HSI Asset Securitization Corporation 2006-0PT3 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-0PT3, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$65,828.43) including interest 12.35% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on February 27, 2008.

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4th, 2008 at 10 am at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738, 989-348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9 am Monday, March 10th, 2008, until 12 noon and then 1 pm until 4 pm. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 13th from 6 pm-8 pm, and also Saturday, March 15th, from 9 am until 12 noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first come first served" basis. You can also protest by mail (via P.O. Box above) or fax to 989-348-6713.

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## Vikings finish 3rd, 6th in 10-team Manistee ski meet

Grayling High School's girls and boys ski teams finished 3rd and 6th, respectively, at last Monday's Manistee Invitational meet at Crystal Mountain.

"This was a good regional prep for both teams," Coach Tim Gariglio said. "All the teams in attendance are in our region. The

girls had an outstanding day. The boys fell apart in slalom, and that has been their strongest event all year. Next Thursday we return to Crystal Mountain for regionals."

Grayling placed 4th in both the girls slalom and giant slalom (GS) competitions, but finished 3rd in the final team point stand-

ings. Hannah Smith was 6th in slalom and 11th in GS for the Vikings. Cassie Pizzi took 8th in both events. Peggy Currison was 26th in GS and 31st in slalom. Ciara Summers finished 25th in slalom and 50th in GS. Hailey McMahon placed 39th in GS.

Grayling's boys team finished

5th in GS and 8th in slalom. Mike Olson was 6th in slalom and 17th in GS. Matt Hilbrecht took 8th in GS and 34th in slalom. Brady Coe took 19th in GS. Peter Alexander finished 32nd in slalom and 37th in GS.

The Vikings ski at regionals on Thursday, Feb. 14.

## GRAYLING YOUTH WRESTLING

Placements for Grayling Youth Wrestling Club competitors at recent tournaments include:

(Fifth tournament, at Grayling, Feb. 9) Logan Joseph, 3rd; Riley Morley, 4th; Koedy Dole, 4th; Jonathon Martin, 1st;

Zack Cheney, 1st; Katie Martin, 3rd; Bryer Fath, 3rd; Jeffrey Myers, 2nd; Zachary Mack, 1st; Devin Stephan, 4th; Ty Jensen, 1st; Jeff Enos, 2nd; Brandon Handrich, 1st; Kenny Meadows, 3rd; Avery Bergman, 2nd.

(Fourth tournament) Eli

Bindschattel, 4th; Dole, 3rd; Morley, 1st; Devin Joseph, 2nd; J. Martin, 1st; Logan Duvall, 4th; Micheal Phipps, 3rd; Cheney, 2nd; Zack Joseph, 3rd; Jensen, 1st; Mack, 1st; Brandon Handrich, 2nd.

(Third tournament) L. Joseph,

3rd; Ashton Terrier, 3rd; Dole, 2nd; Morley, 2nd; Kaden Brigham, 3rd; Duvall, 1st/3rd; J. Martin, 1st; Lucas Scott, 3rd; Cheney, 3rd; Z. Joseph, 3rd; Fath, 4th; Jensen, 1st; Mack, 1st; Myers, 3rd; Kyle Schmidt, 1st; Bergman, 3rd.

upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 8, 2008 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. Mortgagee: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barbara A. Whitney and Gary L. Whitney, Wife and Husband, to "MERS" is Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. MERS is a separate corporation that is acting solely as a nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns. MERS is the mortgagee under this Security Instrument. Lender is Popular Financial Services Mortgagee, dated March 4, 2005, and recorded on March 15, 2005, in Liber 674, on Page 214, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to The Bank of New York as Trustee for Equity One, Inc. Mortgage Pass Through Certificate Series 2005-A by an assignment recorded in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eighty eight thousand two hundred twenty one and 33/100 dollars (\$88,221.33) including interest at 9.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on Wednesday, March 12, 2008.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel No. 1: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West; thence East 220 feet for a Place of Beginning; then South 594 feet; thence East 273.5 feet thence North 594 feet; thence West 273.5 feet to the Place of Beginning.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel No. 1: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West; thence East 220 feet for a Place of Beginning; then South 594 feet; thence East 273.5 feet thence North 594 feet; thence West 273.5 feet to the Place of Beginning.

Parcel No. 2: Beginning 24 rods West and 31 rods South of the Northeast corner of the Northwest one quarter of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, for a Place of Beginning; thence South 49 rods; to the one eighth line; thence West 26 rods; thence North 49 rods; thence East 26 rods to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the Northwest one quarter of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West.

Parcel No. 3: A part of the Northwest one quarter of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, described as commencing 24 rods West of the Northeast corner of the Northwest one quarter of the Northwest one quarter; thence West 26 rods; thence South 31 rods; thence East 26 rods; thence North

31 rods to the Place of Beginning.

TAX ID NUMBER 030-011-006-060-00

The redemption period shall be 1 year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241 or MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCLA 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: January 3, 2008

The Bank of New York as Trustee for Equity One, Inc. Mortgage Pass Through Certificate Series 2005-A,

assignee of Mortgagee

Richard A. Green, Attorneys,  
30150 N. Telegraph Rd., Ste 444 Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
(248) 540-7665

-7-14-21-28

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lawrence Alan Hammer Jr. and Jocelyn Olivia Hammer, husband and wife as joint tenants, to Long Beach Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated March 28, 2002 and recorded April 4, 2002 in Liber 576, Page 163, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank, N.A., Successor Trustee to Wachovia Bank, N.A. (formerly known as First Union National Bank), as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Nine and 10/100 Dollars (\$92,369.10) including interest at 11.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on March 5, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 10 and 11, River Oaks Subdivision, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 27, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: January 31, 2008

Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 362.2855

-31-7-14-21

### MORTGAGE SALE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Charlie K. Patnode, a single man, and Meghan M. Hinkle, a single woman, Mortgagees, to Green Tree Financial nka Green Tree Servicing, LLC, Mortgagee, dated the 9th day of March, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 17th day of March, 1999 in Liber 477 of Crawford County Records, page 151, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Fifty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty & 63/100 (\$55,750.63), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 27th day of February, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock am Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 7.00% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the City of Roscommon, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Part to the Northeast 1 / 4 of the Northwest 1 / 4 of Section 20, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, described as: Beginning at the North 1 / 4 corner of said Section 20, thence South 1 degree 42 minutes West along the North and South 1 / 4 line, 290.00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds West, 634.90 feet, thence Northwest 255.50 feet along the arc of a 0 degree 30 minutes 24 second curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 11, 309.16 feet and along chord bearing of North 19 degrees 36 minutes 14 seconds West, 255.49 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 35 seconds East, 622.72 feet; thence North 1 degree 42 minutes East, 50.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes and 35 seconds East, 105.04 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the Highway easement over the most Northerly 50.00 feet. Also subject to the Easterly 33.00 feet for ingress and egress and installation of Public Utilities. Excepting all oil, gas and mineral rights and documents pertaining thereto.

Said property includes a 1998 Fleetwood manufactured home, Serial No. INFLW55A72582-BA-13

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 1/24/2008

## KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is soliciting proposals from certified public accounting firms for audit services for fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. To obtain a complete RFP document, go to [http://www.kirtland.edu/bo/audit\\_rfp.pdf](http://www.kirtland.edu/bo/audit_rfp.pdf)

Proposals will be received in the business office until Friday, February 29, 2008 at 12:00 p.m. Any proposals received after this date and time, and/or not submitted in the requested format will not be considered. The college reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

Any questions or inquiries regarding this request for proposal should be directed to Edmund Koliba, Chief Business & Financial Officer at 989-275-5000, ext. 240, or Hene Scherer, Director of Accounting at 989-275-5000, ext. 262.



# LEGAL ACTION

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jeffrey S Holka aka Jeff Holka, Sr., an Unmarried Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 20, 2006, and recorded on January 29, 2007 in Liber 685 on Page 62, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Seven And 06/100 Dollars (\$120,697.06), including interest at 9% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 12, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 598 Indian Glens of the AU Sable No. 6, Township of South Branch Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 1-14, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #186646F01

19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 26 North, Range 3 West. Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 34, thence North (along the North and South 1/4 line), 993.03 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 331.01 feet to the South 1/8 line; thence North 88 degrees 59 minutes East (along the South 1/8 line), 328.24 feet; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 30 seconds East, 331.06 feet; thence South 88 degrees 59 minutes 30 second West, 328.29 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #140699F02

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas R. Buckalew and Kimberly Buckalew, His Wife, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 1998, and recorded on August 17, 1998 in Liber 461 on Page 34, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Two And 40/100 Dollars (\$27,492.40), including interest at 7.45% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, Thence South 20 Rods, Thence West 8 Rods, Thence North 20 Rods, Thence East 8 Rods to the Point of Beginning, Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC X 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #106377F02

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

## NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 3, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2008 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 10, 2008, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 13, 2008, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township:

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	TENTATIVE FACTOR
Agricultural	49.79	1.0042
Commercial	51.80	0.9653
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	49.40	1.0121

## FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Juana Essmaker, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 13, 2007, and recorded on April 24, 2007 in Liber 686 on Page 630, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Sixteen And 11/100 Dollars (\$115,416.11), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 7, Block 11, Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 2 of Plats, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC H 248.593.1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #187573F01

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frank A. Antonini, Jr., and Sandra L. Antonini, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated August 24, 2006, and recorded on September 7, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 991, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty And 53/100 Dollars (\$345,860.53), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said

mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 19, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel A: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 19, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, thence North 1 degrees 06 minutes West 1781.73 feet along Section line; thence North 53 degrees 31 minutes East 134.1 feet; thence South 25 degrees 40 minutes East 25.00 feet along center of Twin Bridge Road to the point of Beginning; thence North 53 degrees 31 minutes East 785.75 feet, thence South 27 degrees 06 minutes 40 seconds West 201.29 feet on Traverse line along the Westerly Bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River, thence South 20 degrees 45 minutes 01 seconds West 120.25 feet along said traverse line; thence South 51 degrees 39 minutes 30 seconds West 537.50 feet, thence North 25 degrees 40 minutes West 175.0 feet along center of Twin Bridge Road to the point of beginning. Part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 19, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Lot Lines extend to the Waters Edge.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC D 248.593.1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #187200F01

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne Vanpelt, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2006, and recorded on July 19, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 405, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Four And 38/100 Dollars (\$84,994.38), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 5, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 2, Block 16, Roffee's Addition, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the

redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 31, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC H 248.593.1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #143808F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dennis D Pearce and Laura L Pearce, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Flagstar Bank, FSB, Mortgagee, dated September 21, 2001, and recorded on October 12, 2001 in Liber 0555 on Page 586, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred And 16/100 Dollars (\$47,500.16), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 5, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the center section 30, town 25 north, range 2 west, thence south 89 degrees 34 minutes east (along the east and west 1/4 line) 357 feet to the point of beginning thence continuing south 89 degrees 34 minutes east 294 feet; thence south 0 degrees 25 minutes west 1103 feet to the centerline of county road; thence south 74 degrees 50 minutes west (along centerline of county road) 303.75 feet; thence north 0 degrees 25 minutes west 1184.40 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the northwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of section 30, town 25 north, range 2 west

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 31, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC C 248.593.1301  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #183748F01

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Zachary S. Russell, a married man by Aprille N. Russell attorney in fact, and Aprille N. Russell, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 17, 2006, and recorded on August 24, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 865, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine And 09/100 Dollars (\$120,349.09), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 27, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 17, Grayling Manor, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 24, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC D 248.593.1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #178515F01

**Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.**

**Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
October 11, 2002**

## Notice South Branch Township Board of Review

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates:

**Organizational Meeting:** Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 1:00 P.M.

**To Hear Taxpayer Petitions:** Monday, March 10, 2008, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.; Thursday, March 13, 2008, from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. appeal hearings.

By Board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, or fax; provided protest letter is received prior to March 10, 2008.

Tentative ratios and the estimates multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2008 areas follows:

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the South Branch Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the South Branch Township Board by writing or calling the following:

Lynn George, Clerk / Tom Kozlowski, Supervisor  
5245 M-18  
P.O. Box 606  
Roscommon, MI 48653

## TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 4, 2008 at 9 am.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on:  
Mon., March 10, 2008 9am - noon  
1pm - 4pm

Thurs., March 13, 2008 1pm - 4pm  
6pm - 9pm

All meetings will be held at the township hall, located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications, and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

CLASSIFICATION	FACTOR	TENTATIVE RATIO
Real Property	50.00	1.0000
Agriculture	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Personal Utilities	50.00	1.0000
50.00	50.00	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss  
Supervisor  
Maple Forest Township



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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lawrence Chapman, An Unmarried Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2006, and recorded on February 6, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 726, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen And 82/100 Dollars (\$84,917.82), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 27, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot (s) 17, Pinewood Sites, part of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 16, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, according to the recorded plat thereof

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 24, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC C 248.593.1301  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #183209F01

-24-31-7-14

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed on August 20, 2001, by Debra A. Legg, a single woman, as Mortgagor, to Chemical Bank West, as Mortgagee, which mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan on August 21, 2001, in Liber 0550, Page 005, which mortgage was assigned to Chemical Bank and Trust Company, now known as Chemical Bank, by Assignment of Mortgage dated August 20, 2001, recorded August 21, 2001, in Liber 0550, Page 020, Crawford County Records (the "Mortgage"), on which Mortgage there is claimed to be an indebtedness, as defined by the Mortgage, due and unpaid in the amount of Twenty One Thousand Fifty and 96/100 Dollars (\$21,050.96), as of the date of this notice, including principal and interest, and other costs secured by the Mortgage, no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by the Mortgage, and the power of sale in the Mortgage having become operative by reason of the default.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, March 12, 2008, at 10:00

o'clock in the forenoon, in the Crawford County Courthouse lobby, located at 200 West Michigan Avenue, in the City of Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the unpaid amount of the indebtedness due on the Mortgage, together with legal costs and expenses of sale, certain property located in Crawford County, Michigan, described in the Mortgage as follows:  
LOCATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE SOUTH 43 FEET OF THE NORTH 215 FEET OF THE EAST 133 FEET OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4, SECTION 31, T25N, R4W.

Commonly known as 11538 Steckert Bridge Rd., Roscommon, Michigan.

The length of the redemption period will be six (6) months from the date of the sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2008  
MILLER, CANFIELD, PADDOCK AND STONE, P.L.L.C.  
Attorneys For Chemical Bank  
By: Lori L. Purkey, Esq.  
444 West Michigan Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007  
-7-14-21-28

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Cheryl Robbins and Roger L. Robbins, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Fifth Third Bank (Northern Michigan), Mortgagee, dated February 15, 2002, and recorded on March 1, 2002 in Liber 572 on Page 140, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York, as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Trustee on behalf of Certificateholders and the Certificate Insurer of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Thousand One Hundred Seventy-One And 04/100 Dollars (\$40,171.04), including interest at 12.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 12, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the South 3/4 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 6, Town 25 North, Range 3 West commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section; thence North 00 degrees 24 minutes East along the North and South 1/4 line, 1300.9 feet; thence North 89 degrees 05 minutes 30 seconds East 658.59 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 0 degrees 25 minutes 21 seconds East 330 feet; thence North 89 degrees 01 minutes 47 seconds East 330 feet; thence South 0 degrees 25 minutes 21 seconds West 330 feet; thence South 89 degrees 01 minutes 47 seconds West 330 feet to the point of beginning

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with

MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC J 248.593.1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #101345F02

-7-14-21-28

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian E. Rasmussen, a married man and Bethany M. Rasmussen, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated September 2, 2003, and recorded on January 5, 2004 in Liber 664 on Page 565, and assigned by

mesne assignments to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, A New Jersey Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Five And 83/100 Dollars (\$68,345.83), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 12, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Being part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 31, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as follows: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 31, thence North along the North and South 1/4 line, 1325.4 feet to 1/8 corner; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds East along 1/8 line, 733.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 749.5 feet to the Southerly line of Chapp's Manor; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes East along said Southerly line, 466.0 feet; thence North 73.6 feet, thence South 58 degrees 31 minutes East 137.8 feet, thence South 0 degrees 02 minutes 30 seconds East along 1/8 line, 751.23 feet, thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 30 seconds West 584.2 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless

determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #185049F01

-7-14-21-28

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Beverly McIntosh, single woman as her sole and separate property, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2005, and recorded on

October 20, 2005 in Liber 677 on Page 953, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven And 74/100 Dollars (\$53,667.74), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 12, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: South 1/2 of Lot 12, Block 5, Hadley's amended, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 7, 2008  
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## 2008 CRAWFORD COUNTY TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS

CLASS	ASSESSED	EQUALIZED	RATIOS	FACTORS
<b>BEAVER CREEK - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	150,500	151,135	49.79	1.0042
201 Commercial	4,113,600	3,970,666	51.80	0.9653
301 Industrial	13,350,200	13,350,200	50.00	1.0000
401 Residential	68,129,650	68,957,135	49.40	1.0121
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	85,743,950	86,429,126		
TOTAL PERSONAL	23,854,400	23,854,510	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	109,598,350	110,283,636		
<b>FREDERIC - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	2,216,400	2,483,639	44.62	1.1206
301 Industrial	487,900	459,849	53.05	0.9425
401 Residential	67,962,300	72,284,939	47.01	1.0636
501 Timber Cut-Over	2,045,700	1,652,156	61.91	0.8076
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	72,712,300	76,880,583		
TOTAL PERSONAL	7,123,600	7,123,675	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	79,835,900	84,004,258		
<b>GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	10,395,900	10,586,466	49.10	1.0183
301 Industrial	13,905,700	14,061,187	49.45	1.0111
401 Residential	234,459,700	243,670,442	48.11	1.0393
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	258,761,300	268,318,085		
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,249,200	6,249,200	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	265,010,500	274,567,285		
<b>LOVELLS - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	2,319,900	2,349,503	49.37	1.0128
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	67,071,000	69,500,123	48.25	1.0363
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	69,390,900	71,849,626		
TOTAL PERSONAL	4,131,600	4,131,557	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	73,522,500	75,981,183		
<b>MAPLE FOREST - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	1,150,900	1,032,938	55.71	0.8975
301 Industrial	1,721,000	1,588,517	54.17	0.9230
401 Residential	28,694,300	28,021,777	51.20	0.9766
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	31,566,200	30,643,232		
TOTAL PERSONAL	1,944,600	1,944,600	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	33,510,800	32,587,832		
<b>SOUTH BRANCH - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	4,447,100	4,137,607	53.74	0.9304
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	115,627,700	117,221,918	49.32	1.0138
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	1,351,100	1,020,622	66.19	0.7554
TOTAL REAL	121,425,900	122,380,147		
TOTAL PERSONAL	3,259,500	3,259,500	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	124,685,400	125,639,647		
<b>CITY OF GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2008</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	32,980,500	35,493,435	46.46	1.0762
301 Industrial	7,257,700	7,280,999	49.84	1.0032
401 Residential	21,756,200	22,470,770	48.41	1.0328
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	61,994,400	65,245,204		
TOTAL PERSONAL	8,155,200	8,155,234	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	70,149,600	73,400,438		

Prepared by: Crawford County Equalization Department

## Notice City of Grayling Board of Review

The City of Grayling Board of Review will meet at the City Hall, 1020 City Blvd., Grayling, on the following dates:

**Organizational Meeting:** Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 PM.

**To Hear Taxpayer Petitions:** Wednesday, March 12, 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 PM; Friday, March 14, 2:00 to 5:00PM and 6:00 to 9:00 PM.

Tentative ratios and estimated multipliers for real and personal property within the City of Grayling for 2007, are as follows:

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
Developmental	50.00	1.00000
Personal	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA41.72a(2)(3) and the American With Disabilities Act (ADA).

The City of Grayling will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting, upon seven (7) days notice to the City of Grayling.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City of Grayling by writing or calling the following:

Christie Verlac, Assessor  
1020 City Blvd.  
P.O. Box 549  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989)348-2131

Christie Verlac, Assessor



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



February 14, 1985 - The boys "A" team won four straight games in the all-star tournament at the Grayling Middle School, they are: (L to R) front row Andy Burkley, Shane Fraser, Matt Branch, Andy Moore, manager Andrea Flowers; back row coach Tony Nicholas, Karl Mead, Ron Doe, Kirk Annis, Jay Mertes, Denny Springer, Scotty Nicholas, Ryan Hindmarsh and Mike Shearer, Jr. Pro league president.

### 23 Years Ago February 14, 1985

Like a snowball rolling downhill, Butch Stockton of Higgins Lake is gathering in cross-country ski victories as the racing season hits its peak. Stockton, 36, won the Ranch Rudolph Grand Traverse 30-kilometer race in late January. Then, on Saturday, Feb. 2, Stockton beat out a field of about 500 skiers to claim the White Pine Stampede 20K title.

Greg Barton and Brett Stockton, of Grayling, took first

place at the annual Klondike canoe race on the AuSable. Barton is an Olympic canoeist and Stockton is a two-time winner of the AuSable canoe marathon. Jeff Kolka and Dave Shepherd took second.

The Viking skiers won 30 races last week, lost 15 and tied 2 against some of the best competition in the state. The top skiers for the week were Heidi Derenzy and Pete Huss.

The Grayling volleyball team defeated two tough teams in

match play to boost their record to 11-4.

### 46 Years Ago February 15, 1962

Through the efforts of the Crawford County Industrial Fund, the Red Mill Pallet Company of Houghton Lake is moving into the Grayling area. The company is moving into the former Pallet Box Company building, located behind the McVal Lumber Company Mill on M-72 east, this week.

The Grayling boys ski team took first place in the three-way meet between Grayling, Harbor Springs and Traverse City St. Francis.

A wave of influenza, in Boyne City and East Jordan last week, caused the cancellation of two games in the northern class C conference last Friday. Cancelled were the Grayling-East Jordan contest and the Boyne City - Pellston game.

Last Friday fishing at Lake Margrethe, Robert Nelson of Grayling speared the biggest great northern pike taken so far this season. His trophy fish measured 42 1/2 inches long and weighed in at 20 3/4 pounds. The fish was displayed for some time in the refrigerated case at the A & P Store.

Wayne Westervelt, 6 years old, caught a 21 inch rainbow trout from Heart Lake, north of Frederic, through the ice on February 4.

### 69 Years Ago February 16, 1939

Mr. William Beach, who was

the principal and manual arts teacher at Frederic for the past three and a half years, resigned a week ago and has accepted a position at the high school in White Cloud.

The judging of snowmen, built by school children during a contest where they were built in front of business places, was held. First prize of \$15 went to Einer Tahvonon and James Kolka for their figure of Mae West in color. Second prize of \$10 was given to Jane Milnes and Nelle Walsh for a life-like figure of Buddha. Third prize of \$5 went to Junior Trudeau for a hitching post jockey, fourth prize of \$3 to Alfred Hanson and Clayton Gorman for their figure of "Wimpy" and fifth prize of \$2 was won by Roger Giegling, Ray Andrus and Allen Stevenson for a figure of a snow king.

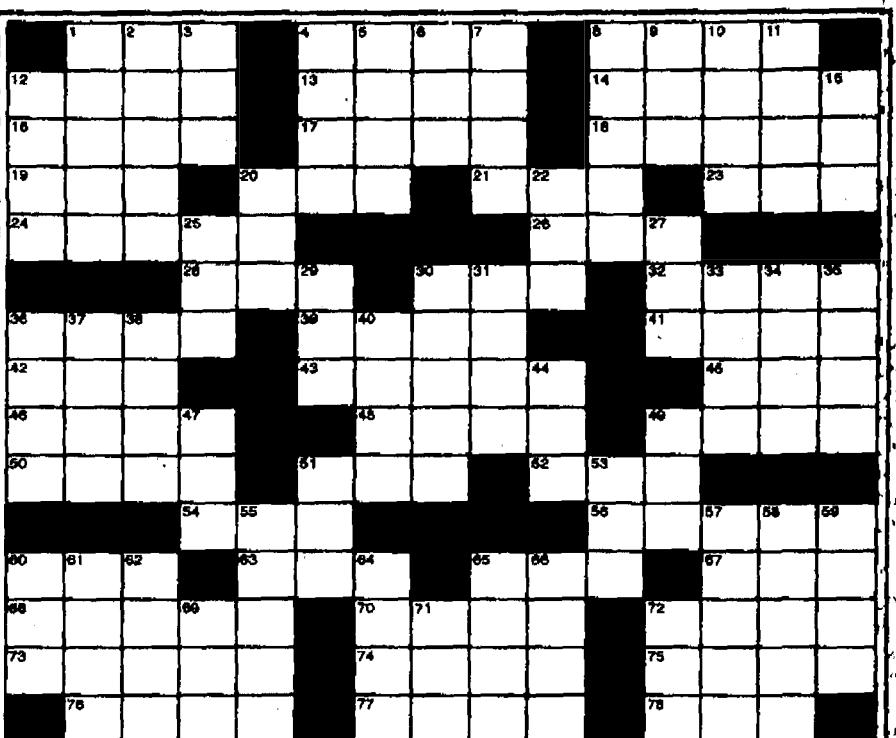
### 92 Years Ago February 17, 1916

Grayling will send down brook trout from the Grayling Fish Hatchery to the Wild Game Show in Saginaw and superintendent Murphy is shipping a fine lot of wild animals and birds from the Hanson State Game preserve.

This week, the teachers purchased furniture for the rest room at the school out of the proceeds cleared from their sale at the public opening of the building and from donations made to them.

Liland Smock has been elected secretary and treasurer for the Frederic School Athletic Association.

## CROSSWORD



- Across
- Generalization describing recurring events in nature.
  - Nickname for Angolan football goalkeeper Luis Manoma Joao.
  - Acronym for Urban Landscape Conservation Areas.
  - Form of Japanese wrestling.
  - Difficult obligation.
  - Author of "Gabaldon".
  - Ammunition.
  - Roman goddess of thresholds.
  - Make inferences.
  - Brand of mineral water from Spa Belgium.
  - One of the Aesir known for his beauty and skill with bow and skis in Norse mythology.
  - Particular service.
  - Mixture of wonder and dread.
  - Conjunction of two or more of the heavenly bodies.
  - Acronym for Association of Rehabilitation Nurses.
  - Pack to capacity.
  - Single by Nine Inch Nails.
  - Difficulties.
  - Bollywood actress Madhuri Dixit.
  - Acronym for Advanced Sleep-Phase Syndrome.
  - Short high tone produced as a warning.
  - Strong emotion.
  - Acts of giving an account describing a course of events.
  - Consciousness of your own identity.
  - Small, biting, two-winged fly.
  - Magnitude relative to a time unit.
  - Previous time.
  - Present location.
  - Cluster of barbless hooks drawn through a school of fish to hook their bodies when fish are not biting.
  - Lacking training.
  - Acronym for Eastern Educational Network.
  - Motherless cat in a range herd of cattle.
  - Scound of a hound on the scent.
  - Deep container for liquids with a handle and a shaped lip for pouring.
  - Relieve from.
  - Retired Argentine football goalkeeper Carlos Angel.
  - Draw forth.
  - Acronym for Area Trauma Advisory Board.
  - Unit of power equal to 1 joule per second.
  - Pale purple color.
  - Cleanse one's body with soap and water.
  - Prefix meaning "against."
  - Caterpillar, construct silken webs on trees into which they retreat when at rest.
  - Highest point of something.
  - The People by S.M. Stirling.
- Down
- Capital of Jordan.
  - Director John.
  - Idle.
  - Blue dye obtained from plants.
  - Failing to communicate when expected to.
  - Acronym for Air Search Attack Unit.
  - Mammary gland of bovines.
  - Have a place in relation to something else.
  - Building in which people live.
  - Once again.
  - Impudent back talk.
  - Sharp tool comprising of an axehead with a cutting edge and a handle to hold on to.
  - Major Protestant paramilitary group in Northern Ireland.
  - Member of a nomadic, racially distinct, short-statured people of southern Africa.
  - Under an obligation to pay money to someone.
  - Point of a pen through which ink flows.
  - Song by Swedish metal band Katatonia.
  - Wooden prop used to support the roof of a mine.
  - Contraction of "is not."
  - Facial expression of contempt.
  - Lower limbs.
  - Lamp that produces a strong beam of light to illuminate a restricted area.
  - Near in time.
  - Several sea eagles.
  - Very close in resemblance.
  - Dress worn by women consisting of a very long piece of thin cloth wrapped around the body.
  - Cambodian money.
  - Precast concrete member with a cross section resembling a T.
  - Member of a people living in southern Benin and Togo and southeastern Ghana.
  - Species of large South African antelope having a mane, bushy tail and curved horns.
  - Late time of life.
  - Expel from a place.
  - Sidekick of The Trickster from the TV show The Flash.
  - British informal for "trivial."
  - Acronym for Yet Another Trek Inconsistency.
  - Unit of power ratio equal to 10 decibels.
  - Nearly horizontal passage from the surface into a mine.
  - Ancient Celtic seasonal day of celebration at the time of the winter solstice.
  - Festive occasion.
  - Praise enthusiastically.
  - Short-lived Liverpool-based rock band in 1969.
  - Musical group formed in West Germany in 1968.
  - Dip into to get something.
  - Novel by Geoff Ryman.

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

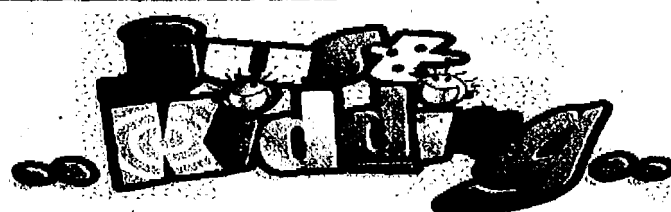
2 cups heavy cream  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
2/3 cup (7 ounces) sweetened condensed milk

1 (21-ounce) can cherry pie filling  
1/2 cup slivered almonds, chopped  
1/2 cup miniature semisweet chocolate chips

Combine heavy cream, sweetened condensed milk and vanilla in a large bowl; mix well. Refrigerate 30 minutes. Remove from refrigerator and beat with electric mixer or wire whisk just until soft peaks form; do not over beat. Fold in cherry pie filling, almonds and chocolate chips. Spoon into an 8 x 8 x 2-inch pan. Cover and freeze 4 hours, or until firm. Scoop into serving dishes.

Makes About 1 Quart

## Cherry Spumoni

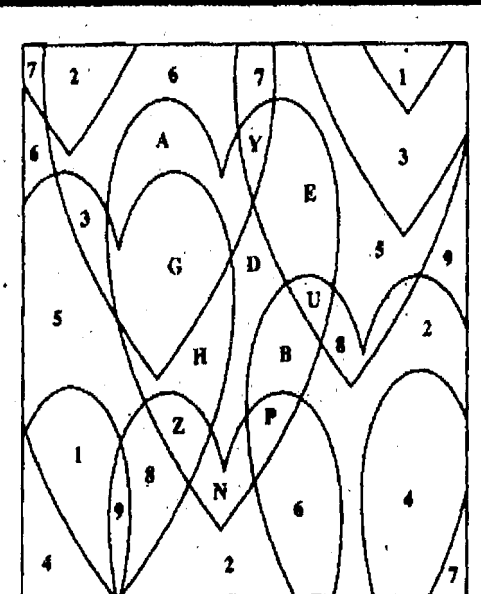


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## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**THIS AUSABLE RIVER HOME** has over 175 feet of river frontage, and is only 25 feet from the river. You can fly fish from the 750 square foot wrap-around deck. Enjoy this 2,175 square foot 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home located on the east branch, 1 mile north of Mercy hospital. Featuring a full sized kitchen, living room, finished walkout basement, fireplace, hot tub, large cedar sauna and much more. The manicured lawn is watered from an underground sprinkler system and looks like a well maintained golf course. Price has been reduced from \$239,500 down to \$199,500. If you buy my house, I would be willing to lease it from you for 2 years. Lets talk. Call 989-348-2083 for showing by owner. (-7-14-21-28/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**INCOME PROPERTY FOR SALE.** 2 duplexes and commercial building, all rented. Owner wants to retire 348-8471. (-14-21-28-6/1)

**2-3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

**FIVE ACRES** both sides river, both sides road. Three bedroom 2 bath ranch. Two possible bedroom plus family room, storage in walk-out basement. Pole building across road 989-348-8524. (11/08/2007tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**FOR SALE,** nice clean, 3 bedroom ranch. Ready to move in. Price Reduced. 348-8118. (-14/1)

### 2. For Rent

**SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE** at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

### 2. For Rent

**3 BEDROOM CHALET** 1 1/2 baths, fully furnished, 2 car garage, \$525 + utilities + security deposit. References required. Warblers Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. 989-348-4950 or 989-344-6001. (-7-14/2)

**MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT** \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

**OFFICE SPACE** in Roscommon, great location. \$475 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (1/10/08tf/2)

**NICE CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450, no pets. 989-348-2418. (-31-7-14-21/2)

### 2. For Rent

**CABIN AND MOBILE HOME** at Lost Acres Cabins, 1 room cabin #1 \$275 Cabin #6, #4 \$375, includes utilities, near Blue Gill Lake. 11010 N. Old US 27, 2 br mobile home, \$395, (new paint, carpet, windows) plus utilities & security, no pets. 11006 N. Old US 27 8877-227-6976. (2/7/08tf/2)

**FURNISHED EFFICIENCY CABIN** in a quiet country setting on the AuSable River. Included in rent, all utilities, trash removal, snow removal and dish network. This cabin is ideal for 1-2 adults, no pets. Call 348-8350. (2/7/08tf/2)

**FOR RENT:** 5 bedrooms, 1 1/2 bath home 2 blocks off Lake Margrethe \$800 plus utilities and deposit. 989-619-9463. (-14-21/2)

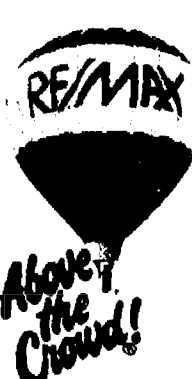
### 2. For Rent

**1 BEDROOM DUPLEX** includes lawn care, snow plowing and water. \$395, 808 Park, 348-2178. (02/07/08tf/2)

**COMMERCIAL**  
 Great opportunity to own your own business in a central hub of hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling. 55 seat restaurant with all fixtures and equipment and living quarters too. Very nice 6 unit motel on property with all beds, linens and supplies. 24x24 garage. #5951 \$229,900  
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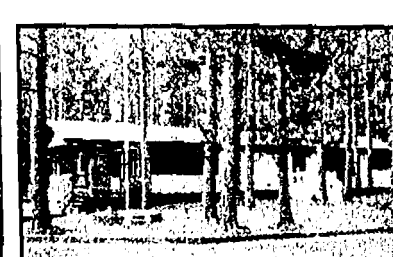
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**BEAUTIFUL ROLLING TERRAIN!** Newer manufactured home located on secluded 1.8 acres. 1,450 s.f., three bedrooms, and two baths. Spacious kitchen and large master bedroom suite. 1,500 gallon septic and 4" well installed in 2002. Great opportunity to purchase priced well below current S.E.V. CH-2650 \$74,900



**MOVE RIGHT IN** Nicely wooded site. Newly remodeled 1,090 s.f., 3 bedroom Chalet in Warblers Hideaway. Cathedral ceilings with skylite. Upstairs bedroom with dormer onto balcony. Drywall interior, open staircase, wood stove hookup and freshly painted. Dishwasher, stove and refrigerator included. Immediate "Turn Key" Occupancy. CH-2594 \$68,900



**BEAUTIFUL WOODED SETTING WITH LONG PRIVATE DRIVE** 15 acres with several trails and thousands of planted blue spruce, red pine, and white pines. 1,200 s.f. home with two bedrooms, and one bath. Family room with knotty pine vaulted ceiling and walls. Bay window and gas fireplace in living room. 24 x 24 heated drive through garage. 30 x 40 garage with 12' side walls, and 24 x 36 heated garage with 12 x 36 lean to. CH-2623 \$149,900

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**AN ELEGANT APPROACH TO TRADITIONAL STYLE!** Well maintained 3 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath home with basement. Newly remodeled kitchen with solid maple cabinets, lazy susan, and snack bar. Living room offers wood stove with brick surround. New vinyl siding and roof 2005. Circle driveway. Very tastefully decorated. Large deck off dining room. Nicely landscaped. Stately trees on property. Very Nice - A MUST SEE. CS-2490 \$104,900



**AUSABLE RIVER HEADWATERS** 10 acres with Bradford Creek flowing through with approximately 700' frontage on each side. Nice location fronting country gravel road. Adjacent 60 acres (listing number CH-2329) also available. CH-2330 \$49,500

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**REDUCED**  
 Cozy, energy efficient three bedroom, 1 and 1/2 bath home in friendly neighborhood! Full basement, large deck w/ seating in large fenced-in backyard. Oak cabinets in kitchen & brick gas fireplace in living room. #5913 \$73,000

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 Cabin on 40 acres surrounded by state land! Cottage has 2 bedrooms and a combined kitchen living room area, electricity and year round access! There is an outside hand pump, well, and a bath with a pump. What a great package! #5418 \$109,000

**REDUCED**  
 Beautiful Setting! Nice 3 bedroom, 2 full bath home on a rolling 10 square acres, adjoining state land. Great spot to have a few horses. Or if 10 acres is a little too much, also offering 3.2 acres of property with the home for only \$69,900. A must see. #5939 \$114,990

**REDUCED**  
 Large, country home close to town. Formal dining room with hardwood floors and large country kitchen make this 4 bedroom, 8 bath home perfect for the larger family. Partial finished basement! Recently reduced! #5943 \$206,000

**REDUCED**  
 You have to take a look, to truly appreciate how nice it is! Completely dry walled with a 16 x 26 living room addition w/ cathedral ceilings. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car attached garage, air conditioned, block foundation, metal roof, 4 zone sprinkler system, & more! #5852 \$65,900

**REDUCED**  
 Sparkling interior in this roomy 3 bedroom home. Family room addition, bright kitchen w/ snack bar, extra insulation throughout, huge deck, carport, 24x32 heated pole barn, just minutes to Higgins Lake, Lake Margrethe, Fox Run, & More! STATE LAND across street #5891 \$15,000.00

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 Three bedroom, two bath, 2.5 car garage. Manistee River Woods subdivision, backs up to open space & you share Manistee River frontage. Home shows brand new-wood floors in kitchen, dining & front entrance. #5908 \$105,900

**REDUCED**  
 2 bedroom, 2 bath home, only lived in 3 months, 1188 square feet, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2 car attached garage in nice small subdivision, 2 miles from Higgins Lake. #5826 \$64,000

**REDUCED**  
 What a pretty setting! This CLEAN air conditioned, 2 bedroom mobile home is setting on a nicely wooded lot with an attached large front deck, a newer 16x22 drive through carport on the circle drive, 2 acres and RV hook up. #5960 \$34,900

**REDUCED**  
 Stunning 50 ACRE parcel, heavily wooded with some open areas & adjacent to state land; ideal hunting retreat! The property has a very nice cabin & new 36 x 42 pole barn; outdoor lover's dream. \$235,000 #5889

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**Residential**  
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**Residential**  
 Great location just minutes from Stephan Bridge & Catch & Release. This 3BR, 1 1/4 Bath offers, stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, & microwave. #251706 \$57,900

**Residential**  
 Great little starter home or that perfect get-a-way cabin. Close to the AuSable River and lots of state land for your choice of hunting. Lots of amenities included with this home #253530 \$60,000

**Residential**  
 Well kept HUD-sectional manufactured home only 1/2 mile from Manistee River. Features vaulted ceilings, appliances, ceiling fans, 2+ car garage, and wood deck. Close to state land, hunting and trails for summer and winter fun. 1-year home warranty! #250321 \$90,000

**Residential**  
 3 Bd, 1 bath home w/2 garages situated on 2 lots, zoned commercial which makes it a great location for a small business and living quarters. Updates include newer steel roof and extra insulation. #252769 \$85,000

**Residential**  
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**Residential**  
 Nice home or getaway on 5 acres. Home is well kept and clean. This is a real value. The owner has a 2 year supply of firewood which goes with home. Home also has a nice garden area. #249943 \$89,900

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#### 5. For Sale

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#### 6. Wanted

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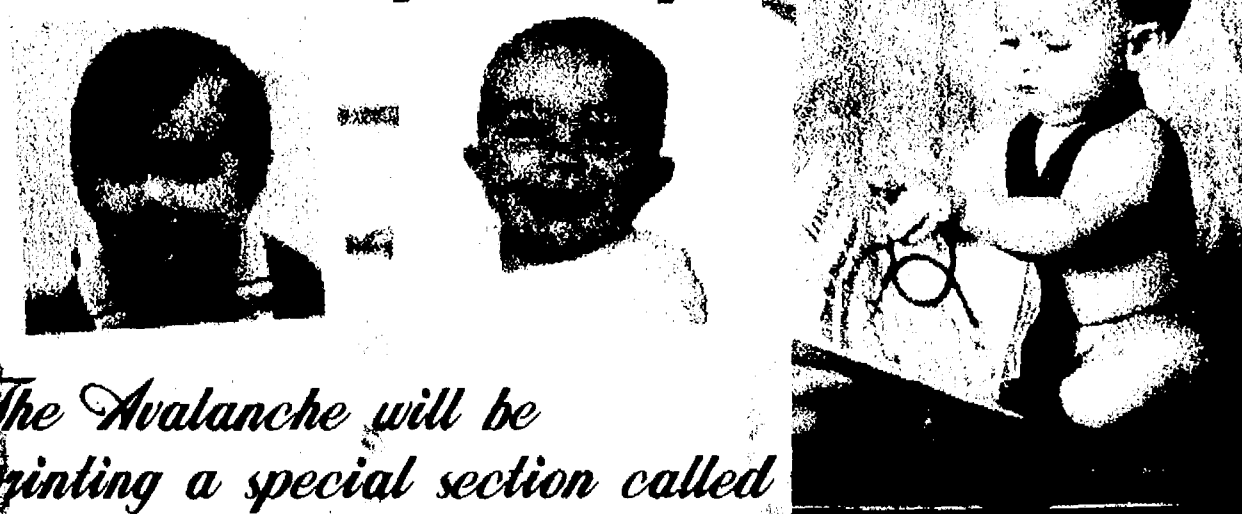
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**9. Personals**  
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**8. Announcements**  
**MIP and anger management programs.** GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (10/11/07t/8)  
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**MICHIGAN WORKS! PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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 Program dollars of approximately \$930,000 are available. Of this amount, 50% (\$465,000) must be expended on Out-of-School Youth Programs, and the remaining \$465,000 is to be expended on In-School Youth Programs.  
 A Bidder's Conference will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. in the Onaway Michigan Works! Service Center. Request for Proposal packages may be requested prior to the Bidder's Conference or may be obtained at the conference. Prospective bidders are strongly urged to attend.  
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**11. Automotive**

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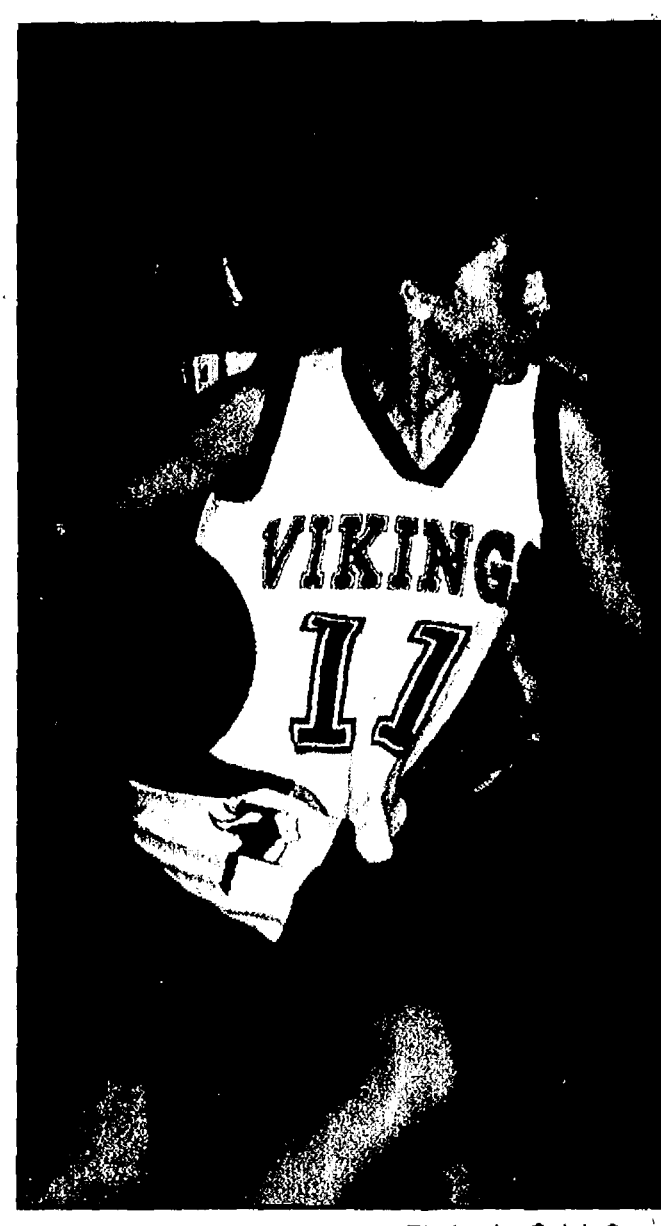
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Abbey Thomas, left, shoots the ball for the Vikings during Saturday's varsity game vs. Harrison. Sam Schreiber, right, drives to the basket against the Hornets.

# Varsity girls win 78-66 vs. Harrison, 53-52 at Harbor Springs

**Vikings to host Elk Rapids in district game at Grayling High School on Monday**

The GHS varsity girls basketball team won two of its three games last week, defeating the Harrison Hornets 78-66 at home on Saturday and edging the Harbor Springs Rams 53-52 on the road on Tuesday.

On Saturday, Grayling led 9-2 after one quarter and had a 13-4 advantage at halftime. The Vikings took a 27-9 lead into the fourth period, and won by 20 points vs. the Hornets.

"We came out slow, only scoring 13 points in the first half, then scored 25 points in the second half. This was a fun win. Every girl got to play and contribute," Coach Kelly Sheehan said.

Leading scorers for the Vikings included: Laura Boylan, 17 points, 4 rebounds, 5 blocks; Rachel Doremire, 6 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals; Tiffany Davis, 6 points, 11 rebounds, 2 steals; Annie Melroy, 4 points. Alyssa Lewis had 5 rebounds.

On Thursday night, the Vikings lost a home game vs. Kalkaska, 60-36.

Grayling's leading scorers included: Boylan, 16 points, 13 rebounds, 3 blocks; Lewis, 8 points, 10 rebounds, 2 steals; Jessie Baker, 4 points, 6 rebounds.

"Kalkaska made several three-point shots that pushed them ahead. Our team was with them until that point," Coach Sheehan said. "Alyssa Lewis and Jessie Baker played their best game all year."

Grayling edged the Rams 53-52 at Harbor Springs on Tuesday night.

Leading scorers for GHS: Boylan, 29 points, 17 rebounds, 5 blocks; Melroy, 5 points, 3 blocks, 3 steals; Sam Schreiber, 4 points, 4 assists; Ashley Feldhauser, 4 points, 4 rebounds; Doremire, 4 points, 3 rebounds.

"It was good to see the girls finish this one," Coach Sheehan said. "This was our first conference win, and now that they have made it over that hurdle, I can see their confidence getting stronger."

Grayling (3-15) finished its regular season this week, and will host Elk Rapids in a district game at GHS on Monday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m.



Liz Dandy, left, and Laura Boylan, right, shoot the ball for Grayling during last Thursday's contest against Kalkaska.

# GHS to play round one game vs. Elks

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Friday, Dec. 21. On Thursday, Jan. 31, the Vikings lost to the Elks by four points, 45-41, at Grayling High School.

"It's the best draw we could've hoped for. I think we're matched up best probably with Elk Rapids," Coach Kelly Sheehan said. "We lost by six at their place and four at our place. We're looking forward to a rematch."

Grayling's varsity squad includes: Alyssa Lewis (junior-forward), Sam Schreiber (junior-guard), Ashley Feldhauser (sophomore-forward), Jessica Davis (senior-forward), Jessica Bindschatel (junior-guard), Annie Melroy (senior-guard), Jessie Baker (senior-forward), Rachel Doremire (senior-forward), Liz Dandy (junior-forward), and Laura Boylan (junior-center).

Coach Sheehan's tournament team will also include two players from the GHS junior varsity squad - Naomi Anglemeyer (junior-forward) and Mackenzie Harwood (sophomore-guard) - and two players from the 9th grade team - Cassie Carter (freshman-forward) and Abbey Thomas (freshman-center).

As of last Friday, Boylan was the team's leading scorer (213), rebounder (152), and shot blocker (62). Schreiber leads the squad in steals with 35. Melroy has a team-high 17 assists. (Player profiles on Pages 2-3B include more statistics.)

The winner of Monday night's Grayling vs. Elk Rapids game will play Petoskey in the second semifinal match of the tournament. Roscommon and Cheboygan, both of which drew first round byes, will play in the first semifinal game on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 6 p.m. The second semifinal game is scheduled for 7:50 p.m. on Wednesday night. The district championship game will be played on Friday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m.

The winner of the District 63-B tournament will advance to the Region 16-B tournament to be held in Petoskey on Feb. 26 and 28.

Grayling High School will be selling presale tickets for both the girls and boys district tournaments. Tickets for the girls tournament are available now in the GHS office. Tickets for the boys tournament will be available starting Monday, Feb. 18. Tickets are \$5 each. Season passes do not include access to MHSAA tournaments.

To check out more photos from this year's GHS girls basketball season, please visit the Crawford County Avalanche's Web site at www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com. Our Photo Gallery contains color photographs, both published and unpublished, from more than 20 2007-2008 freshman, junior varsity, and varsity girls basketball games.